

Ohio Attorney General's Office Bureau of Criminal Investigation Investigative Report



2021–0888 Officer Involved Critical Incident – 500 South Cleveland Ave., Westerville, Ohio 43081 (L)

Investigative Activity:	Interview with Witness
Involves:	Jeremy Hamilton (W)
Date of Activity:	04/27/2021
Activity Location:	Hamilton, Jeremy – Business – 5750 Maple Canyon Avenue, Columbus, OH 43229, Franklin County
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Narrative:

On April 27, 2021, at approximately 1423 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Jenny Comisford (SA Comisford) interviewed Firefighter/Paramedic Jeremy Hamilton (Hamilton) of the Columbus Division of Fire (CFD). The purpose of the interview was to obtain additional information regarding an Officer Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that occurred on April 12, 2021, at Mount Carmel St. Ann's Hospital (St. Ann's) involving Columbus police officers, hospital security, and a male identified as Miles Jackson (Jackson).

Hamilton's interview was conducted at CFD Station 6, located at 5750 Maple Canyon Avenue, Columbus, OH 43229. The conversation was audio recorded and a copy of the recording was saved electronically within the case file. Please refer to the attached audio for complete details. The following is a summation of Hamilton's voluntary interview.

It was reported that CFD personnel transported Jackson to St. Ann's on the morning of April 12, 2021, due to a suspected overdose. Later that morning, Jackson left the hospital against medical advice (AMA). A short time later, personnel with the Westerville Division of Fire transported Jackson back to St. Ann's on a suspected overdose.

Hamilton has been employed by CFD since June 2019. Hamilton confirmed he was the "Medic in Charge" of an EMS crew (CFD Medic 6) that transported Jackson to St. Ann's on the morning of April 12, 2021. The additional crew members of Medic 6 were identified as CFD Firefighters Andrew Reid and Anthony Witcher. CFD Engine 6 also responded to scene and was comprised of CFD Firefighters Nate Johnson, Seth Thompson, and Shane Fidler. Hamilton recalled they were dispatched to a local convenience store on report of an unconscious overdose in the parking lot.

Upon arrival, Hamilton observed Jackson laying on the ground, unresponsive. CFD Engine 6

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personnel reportedly administered Narcan and Jackson was placed on a cot and loaded into the rear of the medic. Approximately one minute later, Jackson regained consciousness and informed CFD that he did not overdose. He later admitted to using heroin and/or fentanyl that morning. Hamilton advised that Jackson's pants were down by his ankles when they arrived on scene, and no weapons were observed on his person.

Hamilton stated that officer(s) with the Columbus Division of Police (CPD) responded to scene and asked if CFD personnel needed anything. CFD responded that officers were not needed. Hamilton did not observe any interaction between Jackson and CPD.

Shortly thereafter, Jackson was transported to St. Ann's where care was transferred to hospital staff. Hamilton approximated he was on scene for five to ten minutes.

The interview concluded at approximately 1450 hours.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01:2021-04-27 Paramedic Jeremy Hamilton Interview

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