



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



2024-0431

Officer Involved Critical Incident – 6042 Huntley Rd, Columbus, OH

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness
Involves: Michael Joseph Mathews (W)
Date of Activity: 02/07/2024
Activity Location: – interstate 71 & route 161
Author: SA Andrew Russell

Narrative:

On Wednesday, February 07, 2024 at 19:43 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Andrew Russell (SA Russell) interviewed Michael Mathews (Mathews), relative to the officer-involved shooting which took place on Wednesday, February 7, 2024. The interview took place at the intersection of Interstate 71 and State Route 161, Columbus, Ohio. The purpose of the interview was to obtain all relevant information of the incident known or observed by this individual.

Mathews stated that he was at the Speedway gas station at 777 E. Dublin Granville Road when he observed a small compact blue vehicle surrounded by marked police vehicles, across the street. Mathews added the driver, who looked like a White female, was stopped for a short time and then took off towards a police officer in front of her. Mathews added the driver hit the officer and he ended up on the hood, the vehicle continued on into a culvert and the officer then flew off. Mathews stated that he heard gunshots during this event but could not tell if they came from the officer on the hood of the car, or from other officers on the driver's side of it. Mathews added he heard four or five shots in quick succession. Mathews stated that after the officer fell from the car and the car took off at a high rate of speed, eastbound toward Interstate 71. Mathews advised that was the end of his involvement. The statement ended at 19:47 hours.

Mathews advised his cellular phone number is [REDACTED] cell and he resides at 3143 Wyandot Place, Hilliard Ohio 43026.

The interview was audio recorded. The recording is attached to this report. Please see the attachment for further details.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2024-02-07 Mike Mathews Interview

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