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Officer-Involved Critical Incident – Intersection of Georgesville and Clime Road, Columbus, Ohio

To: Franklin County Prosecutor G. Gary Tyack
From: Craig Call, Special Agent, Ohio BCI
Date: September 23, 2024
Involves: Hamsa Yusuf Ali, Columbus Division of Police, Franklin Township Police Department, and Madison County Sheriff's Office
BCI Case Numbers: 2024-1473

Investigative Request

On Sunday, May 12, 2024, Sergeant McConnell of the Columbus Division of Police requested the assistance of the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation's (BCI) Special Investigations Unit (SIU) and Crime Scene Unit (CSU) in conducting an independent investigation into the facts and circumstances surrounding an officer-involved shooting incident. The incident reportedly occurred on May 12, 2024 in the area of the intersection of Georgesville and Clime Road, Columbus, Ohio and resulted in the death of Hamsa Yusuf Ali.

Preface:

This report serves as a synopsis of the investigation into the May 12, 2024, officer-involved shooting in Franklin County, Ohio. This report only summarizes the information that the investigative team determined to be the most useful in achieving an overall understanding of what occurred in this incident. Every fact and detail is not presented in this summary report. Therefore, it is recommended that each individual report from which this document is derived be read in order to obtain a complete understanding of this investigation. Further, audio and/or video recordings exist for the majority of the interviews conducted, revealing further details of statements given regarding the incident.

This investigation was conducted with the purpose of determining, to the extent possible, the facts and circumstances surrounding this incident. As unbiased collectors of fact, the investigative team has not and will not render any opinion of the legality of officers' actions. Instead, it is anticipated that this investigation will provide the basis of information for decisions to be rendered by the appropriate authorities.



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Investigative Team

Lead BCI Special Agent:

- SA Craig Call

Assisting Investigative BCI Special Agents:

- SA Jim Mulford
- SA Ryan Scheiderer
- SA James Poole
- SA Dave Weiging
- SA Chad Holcomb

BCI Crime Scene Special Agents:

- SA Mathew Austin (Lead)
- SA Sarah Taylor
- SA Aja Chung
- Crime Scene Technician Holly Ryczek
- Crime Scene Technician Amy Gill

BCI Investigative Supervisor:

- Special Agent Supervisor James Mulford

Summary of Process

The following is a partial list of investigative activities or methods which were employed during the course of this investigation, by the investigative team, in an effort to thoroughly and accurately locate and document all pertinent facts and circumstances regarding this incident:

- Six written statements of six officers who discharged their weapons
- Two audio recorded interviews of additional officers who discharged their weapons
- Recorded interviews of nine (9) officers who were involved in the incident, at the scene, or otherwise deemed to potentially have relevant information
- Neighborhood canvass of the area surrounding the scene
- Recorded interview(s) subjects directly involved in the incident
- Interviews of four civilian witnesses to the incident
- Obtained and reviewed postmortem examination (autopsy) and toxicology reports



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- Obtained and reviewed police reports of prior law enforcement contacts with the subject
- Obtained and reviewed open and closed-source biographical information on the involved subjects, to include criminal history reports, OHLEG, driving records, etc.
- Review of all available dash cameras involved in the incident
- Review of all available body cameras involved in the incident
- Processing of the scene for potential evidence (photographing, searching, measuring, documenting, and collecting)
- Reviewed audio communications on the radio frequencies utilized during the incident
- Reviewed 911/phone communications related to the incident
- Review of dispatch/CAD records pertaining to the incident
- Review of the department's reports, photographs, and investigative materials pertaining to the incident, excluding any Garrity statements or information derived from any compelled statement.
- Collected and reviewed the departmental personnel files of the officers involved in the shooting, to include training and disciplinary records (if any)
- Reviewed firearm qualification and training records for involved officers
- Verified the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission (OPOTC) certification status of the officer(s) who discharged their weapons
- Obtained the department's policies and procedures regarding use of force for prosecutorial review
- Reviewed Medical Records and any treatment administered



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Incident Summary/Overview

On May 12, 2024, officers with the Columbus Division of Police (CPD), Franklin Township Police Department (FTPD), and the Madison County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) were involved in an Officer-Involved Critical Incident (shooting) with Hamsa Yusuf Ali (Ali) near the intersection of Georgesville Road and Clime Road.

The above incident occurred after MCSO detectives identified Ali as the involved subject in a shooting incident at an Amazon facility in West Jefferson, Ohio, approximately one hour prior. Ali was originally located seated in a white Toyota Camry in the parking lot of his residence, 5228 Deignese Place, Columbus, Ohio, by MCSO [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was in an unmarked vehicle wearing plain clothes serving in a surveillance role. Ali ultimately left the parking lot in the Camry and [REDACTED] began following Ali with MCSO [REDACTED] [REDACTED] joining the surveillance shortly afterwards. [REDACTED] was communicating Ali's position to dispatch and responding uniformed officers using the Franklin County West radio channel in an effort to get Ali stopped and detained.

Ali was ultimately traffic stopped by uniformed CPD and FTPD cruisers near the intersection of Georgesville Road and Clime Road. Ali immediately exited the driver's seat of the Camry with a handgun, assumed a firing stance, and fired at the CPD cruiser initiating the stop. Ali continued firing shots toward officers while attempting to flee the area on foot. Ali was fired upon by several officers during the above sequence of events and fell to the ground in a grassy area near the above referenced intersection. CPD [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was shot in the upper chest area by Ali's initial shot, however the round impacted [REDACTED]'s vest without penetrating. Ali was transported to Doctor's West Hospital where he was pronounced deceased.

The below eight (8) officers were identified as firing their weapons during the incident:

- CPD [REDACTED]
- CPD [REDACTED]
- CPD [REDACTED]
- FTPD [REDACTED]
- FTPD [REDACTED]
- FTPD [REDACTED]
- MCSO [REDACTED]
- MCSO [REDACTED]



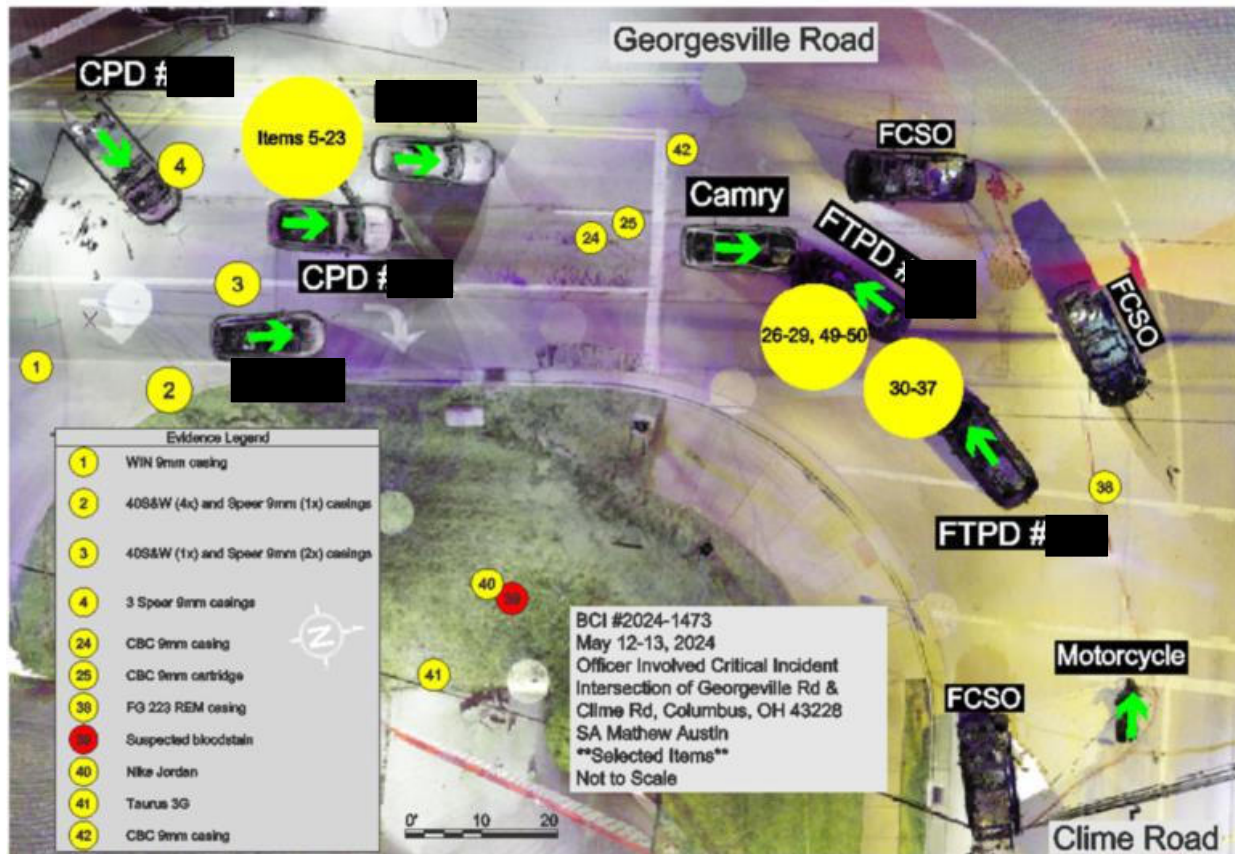
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CPD [REDACTED] was present during the incident but did not fire his weapon.

Below is an overhead visual representation of the incident scene processed by BCI.





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Subsequent Investigation

As a part of the above investigation, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was provided with a large amount of video evidence capturing the incident. The incident is captured on several body worn cameras (BWC) and cruiser cameras. There is a large amount of BWC and cruiser camera footage of officers not directly involved in the incident which was also included. This footage has been reviewed by BCI but will not be detailed in this report.

All of the above officers' actions during the shooting are captured on BWC or cruiser camera. MCSO [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were not equipped with BWCs during the incident, however, their actions can still be observed on other officers' BWCs and cruiser cameras.

Due to the volume of information associated with report 2024-05-12: *Video Review*, SA Call will limit the information included in this prosecutor's summary to the information from CPD Cruiser Camera [REDACTED] CPD Cruiser [REDACTED] was operated by [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] as the passenger. CPD Cruiser [REDACTED] provides a good vantage point of the incident.

"1 minute 26 seconds- Initial dispatch comes out with the same information as above. Emergency response is initiated.

5 minutes 49 seconds- [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] turned southbound on Georgesville Road from Clime Road.

5 minutes 53 seconds- [REDACTED] indicates he can see the white Toyota which can be observed traveling northbound on Georgesville Road. [REDACTED] completes a U-turn and positions the vehicle behind the white Toyota while [REDACTED] radios they are behind the vehicle.

6 minutes 5 seconds- The white Toyota comes to a stop at the intersection of Georgesville Road and Clime Road. Simultaneously CPD cruiser [REDACTED] (occupied by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] come through the same intersection off of Clime Road, while two FTPD cruisers ([REDACTED]) approach the white Toyota head on.

6 minutes 10 seconds- Ali exits the driver's side of the white Toyota, assumes a two handed firing stance and fires a round through the driver's side windshield of CPD [REDACTED] (glass breakage observed). Ali begins to flee the vehicle towards a grassy area near the above intersection while continuing to fire in the direction of the initial



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responding officers. Ali changed his grip to a one-handed grip and was firing behind him as he was running away.”





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"6 minutes 19 seconds- Ali falls to the ground where he remains motionless, until he is ultimately transported from the scene via squad approximately 9 minutes later.

During the above series of events, [REDACTED] can be observed firing through the windshield of his [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] can observe firing from a position near his driver's side cruiser door, and [REDACTED] can be observed firing from a position near his driver's side cruiser door. All shooting appears to discontinue at approximately 6 minutes 20 seconds.

6 minutes 20 seconds- [REDACTED] announces he has been hit.

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6 minutes 20-50 seconds- A large number of officers approach Ali and additional CPD cruisers begin arriving on scene. [REDACTED] can be seen beginning to access the extent of his injuries.

7 minutes 18 seconds- CPD Officer Ryan Mauck can be observed instructing [REDACTED] to go to the hospital.

Officers have begun rendering aid to Ali at this point in time as well as establishing a crime scene perimeter.

The remaining footage shows a large response to the area from multiple law enforcement agencies.”

Medical Records Review

BCI received medical records from Doctor's Hospital as a part of BCI's investigation regarding the May 12, 2024, Officer Involved Critical Incident (OICI) involving Hamsa Yusuf Ali (Ali) and members of Franklin County law enforcement documented in other reports in this case.

The medical records indicate Ali was admitted to the above facility at 1830 hours and ultimately pronounced dead at 1857 hours by Dr. Courtney Cox. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

See below for the treatment, observations, and notes prepared by Dr. Justin Purnell as the report indicates he was the primary clinician of record.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]



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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]"

Post-Mortem Examination / Autopsy Report

The autopsy report for the decedent (Hamsa Yousuf Ali) was obtained from the Franklin County Coroner's Office. A review of those documents revealed the following information:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]



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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

The report indicates the autopsy, FCCO case number 24-2068, was completed on May 14, 2024 by Forensic Pathologist Andrea McCollom, M.D., along with the assistance of Autopsy Assistant Tiffany Scarberry.

Physical Evidence and Laboratory Reports

Various items of potential evidence were submitted to the BCI Laboratory for analysis. The actual reports should be consulted as the following synopsis does not include many of the details from the full reports.

The BCI Firearms Section performed an analysis of Ali's firearm and the officers' firearm, as well as the firearm-related evidence collected from the scene. Below is a brief synopsis of findings:

Item #37: Taurus model G3 pistol serial number AEK797786

This item is the firearm used by the involved subject, Hamsa Ali (Ali), during the incident. Four fired cartridge casings recovered from the scene were found to be fired from the above firearm. One bullet fragment found near the front driver's side windowsill of CPD Cruiser # [REDACTED] the cruiser operated by [REDACTED] who was shot by Ali during the incident, was found to be fired from the above firearm.

Item #40: Sig Sauer model p320X Carry pistol serial number [REDACTED]

This item is the firearm used by Madison County [REDACTED] during the incident. One fired cartridge casing recovered from the scene was found to be fired by this firearm.

Item #49: Smith and Wesson model M&P40 2.0 pistol serial number [REDACTED]

This item is the firearm used by Madison County [REDACTED] during the incident. Five fired cartridge casings recovered from the scene were found to be fired from this firearm.

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One bullet recovered from Ali's body by the Franklin Coroner's Office was found to be fired from this firearm.

Item #50: Smith and Wesson model M&P9 2.0 pistol serial number [REDACTED]

This item is the firearm used by CPD [REDACTED] during the incident. 18 cartridge casings recovered from the scene were found to be fired by this firearm. One bullet recovered from Ali's body by the Franklin County Coroner's Office was found to be fired from this firearm.

Item #51: Smith and Wesson model M&P9 2.0 pistol serial number [REDACTED]

This item is the firearm used by CPD [REDACTED] during the incident. Four fired cartridge casings recovered from the scene were found to be fired from this firearm.

Item #52: Smith and Wesson model M&P9 2.0 pistol serial number [REDACTED]

This item is the firearm used by CPD [REDACTED] during the incident. Three fired cartridge casings recovered from the scene were found to be fired from this firearm.

Item #53: Smith and Wesson model M&P-15 rifle serial number [REDACTED]

This item is the firearm used by Franklin Township Police Department [REDACTED] during the incident. One fired cartridge casing recovered from the scene was found to be fired from this firearm.

Item #54: Smith and Wesson model M&P9 2.0 pistol serial number [REDACTED]

This item is the firearm used by Franklin Township Police Department [REDACTED] during the incident. Six fired cartridge casings recovered from the scene were found to be fired from this firearm.

Item #55: Smith and Wesson model M&P9 2.0 pistol serial number [REDACTED]

This item is the firearm used by Franklin Township Police Department [REDACTED] during the incident. Eight fired cartridge casings recovered from the scene were found to be fired from this firearm.

The above findings were made by Forensic Scientist Matthew White and were determined using visual and microscopic examinations and comparisons.



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Investigative Interviews

The following information comprises extremely abbreviated versions of the statements made by the witness and/or participants of this incident deemed by the author to be of most relevance to the overall understanding of the incident. More detailed accounts can be found by reading the separate reports written by the interviewers and by reviewing the recordings of each interview, including those not synopsised below.

Officer Interviews

CPD [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was shot through the windshield of his cruiser in the upper chest area by Ali during the incident and transported to Grant Medical Center where he was treated and released the same day. [REDACTED] provided BCI with a written witness statement of his involvement in the incident and wrote the following about the events immediately surrounding the shooting:

"Immediately before this incident, [REDACTED] and I were in the area of Eakin Road and Forrest Creek Drive on a non-injury vehicle crash (10-4) when the radio tone went out and radio advised that there was an active shooter from Madison County that was being followed by plain clothes officers. I believe radio stated that the suspect was eastbound on Hall Road. We were just northeast of Hall Road. I told the drivers of both vehicles to exchange information and provided them with exchange of information cards.

I got into the driver's seat of the cruiser and [REDACTED] got into the passenger seat. [REDACTED] was relaying the information that was coming over the MDT (mobile digital terminal) from the CAD (computer aided dispatch) system. The suspect vehicle was a white Toyota Camry and I believe [REDACTED] stated the license plate was HNH (Henry Nora Henry). I do not recall a specific suspect description, only the white Camry and that there were plain clothes/cars officers following him. I believe we were roughly ten (10) minutes from the area where the suspect vehicle was located. A minute or so before the incident, radio aired that the suspect was northbound on Georgesville Road. [REDACTED] and I were westbound on Clime Road and quickly approaching Georgesville Road. I told [REDACTED] that if we encountered the suspect, she would be calling out everything and to be ready. I turned left (south) onto Georgesville Road. Just as we reached Chrome Motors (a used car dealership) a white Toyota Camry passed us.

I flipped around to get behind it but there was some confusion as the license plate



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information we had been provided was HNH but I believe the license plate of the Camry was JNJ. This was causing some confusion as to if this was the correct vehicle. The Camry stopped at the intersection of Clime Road and Georgesville Road. I pulled up and stopped the cruiser approximately 15-20 feet behind the Camry. Just as I was putting the cruiser in park, I saw the Camry driver's door quickly open and the suspect (a male black) got out of the car.

Suddenly, I saw the suspect had a gun pointed at me as I simultaneously felt that I had been hit in my left shoulder. I immediately drew my firearm (which I already had the hood unfastened which I did as we passed the suspect vehicle) and fired my weapon as I was exiting the cruiser. I heard multiple rounds of gunfire as the suspect ran east with his gun pointed behind him, firing at us. The slide on my firearm locked back and I dropped my magazine and reloaded. The suspect went down in the grass and the gunfire ceased. Multiple officers from several jurisdictions approached and secured the suspect. I knew I had been struck in the shoulder/arm and said that I had been hit.

Officer Mauck told me to go to the hospital. [REDACTED] and I got into cruiser 154 and she drove me to Grant Hospital. CPD Officer Support Team Member Geno met me at the hospital. Luckily, the bullet hit my vest and either shrapnel or the bullet ricocheted and grazed my upper shoulder/arm. I was released from the hospital several hours later and returned to the Columbus Police Academy and waited for BCI Agents to arrive. There they photographed me and collected my weapon. This ended my involvement in this incident."

[REDACTED] wrote the following in reference to the moment(s) when he fired his weapon:

"At the time I fired my weapon, I was in fear for my life as well as the lives of the other officers in the area. Prior to firing at the suspect, he had attempted to shoot a co-worker at Amazon and immediately before I fired, the suspect had just shot me and was continuing to fire at me and other officers on scene. I do not believe I had any other reasonable alternative to protect my life and the lives of the other officers from the suspect's deadly actions at the time I fired my weapon."

CPD [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] provided BCI with a written witness statement of her involvement in the incident and wrote the following about the events immediately surrounding the shooting:

"Immediately before this incident, [REDACTED] and I were in the area of Eakin Road and



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Forrest Creek Drive on a non-injury vehicle crash (10-4) when the radio tone went out and radio advised that there was an active shooter from Madison County who was being followed by plain clothes officers. Per radio traffic, the suspect was eastbound on Hall Road. We were just northeast of Hall Road. ██████████ told the drivers of both vehicles to exchange information and provided them with exchange of information cards.

██████████ got into the driver's seat of the cruiser and I got into the passenger seat. I was reading the information that was coming over the MDT (mobile digital terminal) from the CAD (computer aided dispatch) system and relaying that information to ██████████. The suspect vehicle was a white Toyota Camry and the license plate given was HNH (Henry Nora Henry). I do not recall a specific suspect description, only a description and partial license plate of the suspect vehicle. ██████████ and I were roughly ten (10) to twelve (12) minutes from the area where radio was indicating the suspect was located. We drove towards the location of the suspect vehicle and I was providing ██████████ with directions and updates. Just before we encountered the suspect, radio aired that he was northbound on Georgesville Road. We were westbound on Clime Road, quickly approaching Georgesville Road. We turned left (south) onto Georgesville Road and I believe I unholstered my weapon and had it at the low-ready since the information we had was that the suspect was an active shooter and therefore armed. We drove approximately 100-125 yards when a white Toyota Camry passed us.

██████████ did a "U" turn and got behind the suspect vehicle and I aired that we were behind it. I think ██████████ said, "John Nora John" for the license plate and I replied, "Henry Nora Henry". The misinformation was causing some confusion as to whether this was the correct vehicle. However, the Camry stopped at the intersection of Clime Road and Georgesville Road. ██████████ stopped our cruiser approximately 15-20 feet behind the Camry. Just as he stopped the cruiser, I saw the suspect open the car door and get out, while his car continued rolling forward and struck a Franklin Township Cruiser.

Suddenly, I saw the suspect had his gun aimed at us and was shooting. I heard ██████████ say "oh/ugg" or something I believed he had been struck by the bullet. I immediately exited the cruiser and ran to the rear of the cruiser for cover and aired "shots fired!" I heard multiple rounds of gunfire as I saw the suspect run east, past the front of our cruiser, with his gun still level directly at us. It is at that moment that I fired my weapon at the suspect. The suspect continued running east, with his gun pointed behind him, towards us. The suspect went down in the grass and the gunfire ceased. There were multiple other officers on scene. I heard ██████████ state he had been hit and I saw him standing in front of our cruiser. I aired we had an officer hit and that the suspect was down."



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██████████ **wrote the following in reference to the moment(s) when she fired her weapon:**

“At the time I fired my weapon, I was in fear for the life of ██████████ as the suspect had just shot him, as well as my life and the lives of the other officers and civilians in the area. Prior to firing at the suspect, he had been an active shooter at the Amazon Distribution Center and had attempted to shoot a co-worker. Immediately before I fired, the suspect had just shot ██████████ and was continuing to fire at me and other officers on scene. I do not believe I had any other reasonable alternative to protect my life and the lives of the other officers at the time I fired my weapon.”

CPD ██████████

██████████ provided BCI with a written witness statement of his involvement in the incident and wrote the following about the events immediately surrounding the shooting:

“Just before this incident, around 6:00 p.m., ██████████ and I had marked on a call for service at the Kroger on Eakin Road in west Columbus. Reportedly, two people had gotten into an argument over a car accident. We were circulating the parking lot looking for the disturbance when a 10-3 (CPD radio code for “officer in trouble”) went out over the radio. Dispatch aired that another agency was responding to an active shooter. I quickly set the address given by dispatch into my GPS and drove with lights and sirens to that location.

I turned south onto Harrisburg Pike from the Kroger plaza. Dispatch aired the suspect was driving a white Toyota and gave the car’s tags. I got to Clime Road and turned right/west. I drove a mile or so along that road when CPD Cruiser ██████████ (operating as ██████████) pulled in front of me from another street. (I later learned ██████████ was driving that cruiser and partnered with ██████████. Cruiser ██████████ pulled ahead as I continued along Clime Road. Around that time, a transmission went out that the suspect was northbound on Georgesville Road.

As we neared the Clime Road/Georgesville Road intersection I saw Cruiser ██████████ turn left/south onto Georgesville Road. I got to that intersection seconds later and turned left/south onto Georgesville Road as well. As I made that turn, I saw a white Toyota car at a red light on Georgesville Road, facing north. By that time, Cruiser ██████████ had already made a U-turn on Georgesville Road and was pulling up behind the white Toyota to initiate a stop. ██████████ aired “██████████ we’re behind it,” and ██████████ said, “there it is” or “that’s our car.” As I



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passed the Toyota, I saw the driver was a black male. He and I locked eyes as I made the turn. He was looking at me with a glaring stare. I quickly did a U-turn and pulled behind Cruiser [REDACTED]

Just as I was coming to a stop, suddenly the suspect got out of the Toyota and fired at least one round at the front of Cruiser [REDACTED]. At that time, I believe [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were still in the cruiser; in other words, I believed the suspect had fired directly at those officers. I immediately ducked down, stopped a few yards behind Cruiser [REDACTED] and put the cruiser in park. I got out and unholstered my firearm. Numerous shots were ringing out in rapid succession.

I moved towards the front of my cruiser. I saw the suspect quickly moving east across Georgesville Road. He was moving towards a grassy area on the eastern side of the street. He had a gun in his (I believe) right hand. He had his right arm extended back, aiming the barrel of the gun in my direction and that of Cruiser [REDACTED] and my wagon. I also believed [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were in my immediate vicinity. And I saw [REDACTED] taking cover behind the driver side of Cruiser [REDACTED] a few yards to my northeast. I believed the suspect intended to shoot me and the other officers on scene and it was at that moment I fired my weapon.”

[REDACTED] wrote the following in reference to the moment(s) when he fired his weapon:

“At the times I fired my weapon, I believed the suspect posed a deadly threat to my life and the lives of [REDACTED]. This event happened very quickly: I would estimate that less than ten seconds passed between the suspect shooting at [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and firing my last shot as the suspect collapsed.”

Madison County [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was interviewed in reference to his involvement in this case. Excerpts from his interview are listed below:

[REDACTED] stated that on May 12, 2024 at approximately 1630 hours, he received a call from MCSO Lieutenant Bryan White (Lt. White) stating there was an “active shooter” at the Amazon facility located in West Jefferson (Madison County) and that he needed to respond. [REDACTED] drove to Amazon in his assigned unmarked covert vehicle ([REDACTED]) and met with other officers and deputies already on scene. During that time, officers



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identified Ali as the suspect and obtained surveillance video of him leaving the area in a white Toyota sedan. Officers also obtained information that Ali resided in Columbus, Ohio. Once [REDACTED] obtained Ali's personal information, he contacted the SIU task force supervisor FCSO Sergeant Jake Smith (Sgt. Smith) and explained what had occurred at Amazon and provided him with Ali's information. FCSO Sgt. Smith did a subject work-up on Ali and provided additional information to [REDACTED] including a potential address for him on Deignese Place in Columbus, Ohio. MCSO Lt. White told [REDACTED] and MCSO [REDACTED] ([REDACTED] who is assigned to the [REDACTED] [REDACTED], to start towards the address on Deignese Place in attempt to locate Ali.

When [REDACTED] arrived at the apartment complex on Deignese Place, he observed what he believed to be Ali's white Toyota parked with Ali sitting inside it. [REDACTED] positioned himself in the parking lot so that he could conduct covert surveillance on Ali and his vehicle. [REDACTED] radioed MCSO that he had located Ali and also accessed FCSO's Franklin County West radio channel to advise FCSO that he had located Ali and his vehicle and assistance was needed. [REDACTED] was advised FCSO and CPD were sending cruiser to assist. While waiting for more officers to arrive, [REDACTED] observed Ali exit his vehicle wearing a white tank top and black pants (matching clothing description from Amazon incident) and approach an apartment door. When Ali arrived at the apartment door, he paused, turned around and went back to his vehicle. Ali then retrieved a jacket from the car and put it on. Ali then walked back towards the apartment door, paused about halfway to the door, and then turned around and went back to the car and entered it.

Ali then left the apartment complex in the white Toyota and [REDACTED] began surveilling him while providing responding officers updates. Ali traveled south on Norton Road and then turned east onto Hall Road and later turned north on to Georgesville Road. When Ali made the turn onto Georgesville Road, two (2) CPD cruisers with their emergency lights activated drove south past Ali and [REDACTED]. As they traveled north on Georgesville Road, [REDACTED] observed another CPD cruiser driving towards him and Ali, so he marked on the radio trying to alert the cruiser that he was approaching Ali's vehicle. The CPD cruiser drove past Ali's vehicle and then completed a U-turn and pulled in behind Ali's vehicle at the intersection of Georgesville Road and Clime Road. While stopped at the light at the intersection, a FTPD cruiser approached Ali's vehicle from the front and blocked him in. [REDACTED] pulled to the passenger's side of the CPD cruiser directly behind Ali's vehicle. As soon as the FTPD cruiser made contact with Ali's vehicle, Ali exited his vehicle and "opens fire" on the CPD cruiser. [REDACTED] heard glass breaking and an officer say "Oh shit!". As [REDACTED]



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was opening his car door, he observed Ali “firing” at “everybody”. As Ali was firing his pistol and making his way to the rear of his vehicle, [REDACTED] discharged his pistol at Ali two (2) times through the open door. Ali continued on foot east, away from his vehicle and [REDACTED] fired three (3) more times at Ali once he “cleared” away from the FTPD cruisers that were beyond him.”

[REDACTED] detailed the following in reference to the moment(s) when he fired his weapon:

[REDACTED] stated that it was his belief that Ali was shooting at law enforcement officers and that based on his training and experience, Ali’s actions created a risk of death or harm to the officers. [REDACTED] stated he had no other reasonable means to stop Ali’s actions because Ali was firing a semi-automatic pistol at officers. [REDACTED] never considered using a less-lethal option to stop Ali because Ali immediately started firing his pistol at officers when he exited his vehicle. SA Call asked [REDACTED] if he was in fear of his or other officer’s safety at the time he fired his pistol at Ali and he answered “Absolutely... absolutely.” [REDACTED] stated he did not observe any actions or mannerisms from Ali consistent with him trying to surrender to law enforcement.”

Madison County [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was interviewed in reference to his involvement in this incident. Below are excerpts from his interview:

“On May 12, 2024, [REDACTED] was not scheduled to work and was called in to assist with an active shooter situation at the Amazon Facility located on (Ohio) State Route 29 in West Jefferson, Ohio. [REDACTED] said he was originally notified by a text message system that goes out to investigators when significant events occur within their jurisdiction. [REDACTED] indicated he responded directly to the above location shortly after receiving the callout. [REDACTED] believed the text message came out at approximately 1645 hours.”

[REDACTED] spoke with MCSO Lieutenant Bryan White (Lt. White) and was informed that after reviewing surveillance footage, the involved subject had left the area in a white Toyota sedan. [REDACTED] acknowledged he was able to view the above footage and observed the involved subject in the parking lot with the black jacket removed, now wearing a white tank top. [REDACTED] said the involved subject was identified as



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Ali, however he did not know exactly what steps other officers took to make this identification. [REDACTED] said he did a Ohio Law Enforcement Gateway (OHLEG) search of Ali and observed a Columbus address near Hall and Norton Road as a potential place of residence. [REDACTED] later added the residence was located inside an apartment complex. The OHLEG search also provided a photograph of Ali, which [REDACTED] indicated he believed to be a positive identification based off of the surveillance footage he previously viewed. After making the above observations, [REDACTED] spoke with Lt. White and MCSO [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]) and was instructed to attempt to visually locate Ali along with [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] later described [REDACTED] vehicle as a [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] indicated [REDACTED] arrived at Ali's residence prior to him and communicated he believed he had a visual of Ali in the white Toyota outside of the apartment complex. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] aired radio traffic describing Ali exited the vehicle, proceeded to the front door of the apartment, and ultimately returned to the vehicle without entering the apartment. [REDACTED] described hearing [REDACTED] air radio traffic indicating Ali left the apartment complex in the white Toyota and began traveling on Norton Road in the direction of Hall Road. [REDACTED] described being at a location near the intersection of Norton and Hall Road and was able to observe the white Toyota being followed by [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] described making a positive visual identification of Ali driving the white Toyota as the vehicle passed him. [REDACTED] described joining the surveillance operation at this time. [REDACTED] later clarified that he and [REDACTED] were conducting mobile surveillance and were in no way engaged in a pursuit of the white Toyota.”

[REDACTED] described Ali's driving during this period as driving at a normal rate of speed while obeying all appropriate traffic laws. Based off of his observations, [REDACTED] was of the belief Ali did not know he was being followed by either detective. [REDACTED] indicated he believed the goal of the operation was to surveil Ali until uniformed officers could arrive on scene to detain Ali, in order to further the investigation of the incident at the Amazon facility.”

[REDACTED] said Ali ultimately completed the northbound turn onto Georgesville Road, at which time he observed multiple CPD cruisers coming in their direction. [REDACTED] described observing Ali stop at the intersection of Georgesville and Clime Road. Upon stopping, [REDACTED] observed a CPD cruiser complete a U-turn from southbound to northbound on Georgesville Road and take a position behind Ali's vehicle.



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██████████ said he positioned his vehicle to the left of the CPD cruiser while ██████████ positioned his vehicle to the right of the CPD cruiser. ██████████ estimated his vehicle to be approximately one car length ahead of the CPD cruiser. Simultaneously, ██████████ described observing FTPD cruisers "boxing" Ali's vehicle from the front.

In immediate response to the above described actions, ██████████ described observing Ali exit the driver's side of the white Toyota, point a black semi-automatic handgun in the direction of the CPD cruiser, ██████████ and himself. ██████████ described reaching for his own firearm while observing Ali firing multiple shots in their direction. ██████████ described observing the muzzle flash of Ali's firearm and believed at the time that Ali struck his vehicle with gunfire. ██████████ explained he did not initially fire at Ali because his current positioning placed him in a "crossfire" situation with the FTPD cruisers. ██████████ described hearing a large volume of additional gunfire at this time and believed it was CPD and FTPD officers returning fire at Ali.

██████████ said Ali began to flee towards a parking lot on Clime Road while continually firing shots at officers. ██████████ indicated Ali's positional change eliminated the original "crossfire" situation, at which time ██████████ fired two rounds through his windshield at Ali while still seated in the driver's seat of his ██████████ ██████████ indicated he used his sights while firing at Ali and discontinued firing when Ali went to the ground. ██████████ estimated the distance between his vehicle and Ali's vehicle to have been approximately 30-40 feet."

██████████ ***detailed the following in reference to the moment(s) when he fired his weapon:***

"In reference to the time of the shooting, ██████████ acknowledged he believed Ali to be firing at the CPD officer/cruiser or himself. ██████████ indicated it was his belief Ali's actions and intentions were to harm or kill law enforcement officers on scene. ██████████ acknowledged Ali's behavior placed him in fear for his safety as well as the safety of others in the area. ██████████ did not believe a less lethal or hands on option would have been an appropriate response while faced with gunfire. ██████████ ██████████ indicated he did not believe there was any alternative use of force he could have deployed to stop Ali's actions. ██████████ believed his actions were consistent with his training and experience as a law enforcement officer."



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Franklin Township Police Department [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] provided BCI with a written witness statement of his involvement in the incident and wrote the following about the events immediately surrounding the shooting:

"At just after 6:00pm on May 12th, I was at 1400 Harrisburg Pike near the intersection of Harrisburg Pike and Briggs Road. An "officer in trouble" call came over the Columbus Police Department (CPD) radio. I heard several units, including CPD Wagon [REDACTED] be dispatched to an address. It was my understanding from the radio traffic that the suspect had been involved in an active shooter event. Details started to be radioed over Franklin County Sheriff's channel as well. I saw CPD Wagon 158 drive past my location south with lights and sirens. I followed the wagon south on Harrisburg Pike/US 62 and turned right (west) onto Clime Road. As we passed near to the Franklin Township Police Department, located at 2193 Frank Road, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] in Franklin Township Cruiser [REDACTED] began to follow me. The radio traffic updated the suspects location- eastbound on Hall Road and then Georgesville Road headed north. It was aired that the suspect was stopped in the number 2 northbound lane of Georgesville Road at a light at the intersection of Clime Road.

As we neared the intersection of Clime Road and Georgesville Road, there was a white Toyota Corolla stopped at a red light in the number 2 northbound lane. The wagon turned left (south) onto Georgesville Road and the made a U-turn so that they were behind the suspect vehicle. I could see the suspect's face clearly and it looked like he was going to take off. In order to stop an extended pursuit, I made the split-second decision to block the suspect vehicle. I began to turn left (south) into the northbound lane and put the nose of my cruiser (pointing south/southwest) to the nose of the suspect vehicle (pointing north) so that he would be unable to drive forward. The suspect vehicle and I were close to the southeast corner of the intersection. Cruiser [REDACTED] stopped behind me and the CPD vehicle was directly behind the suspect vehicle.

I exited the cruiser and drew my weapon pointing it in the direction of the suspect vehicle between my open cruiser door and front window. I saw the suspect (male black wearing dark clothing) on the driver's side of his vehicle (the white sedan) and I heard gunshots. I ducked down behind my door. The suspect's car must have not been in park because it rolled into my cruiser. I remember seeing a firearm in the suspect's right hand, but I do not know if I saw him shoot at the CPD officers. There was a lot of gun fire and I did hear an officer say that he was hit. This all happened basically at the same time in just a few seconds. At first, I thought



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the suspect was going to run west and I was very concerned about the possibility of crossfire, but he headed around the back of his car and headed east instead. When he ran to the east, he was very close to me, probably 10-15 feet. I fired. At the time, I believed I fired 4 to 5 times. I stopped firing when the suspect fell to the ground.”

██████████ wrote the following in reference to the moment(s) when he fired his weapon:

“When I fired, I did not believe that I had any other reasonable alternative other than to fire to protect the CPD officers from imminent danger of death or severe bodily harm as I believed the suspect had fired at officers, one said he had been hit, and knew the suspect was still armed. I also did not believe I had any other alternative other than to fire to protect the other Franklin Township officers or myself, who could have also been harmed or killed if the suspect decided to turn his fire towards us.”

Franklin Township Police Department ██████████

██████████ provided BCI with a written witness statement of his involvement in the incident and wrote the following about the events immediately surrounding the shooting:

“At approximately 5:55 p.m. ██████████ and I left the Franklin Township Police Department. ██████████ was driving and I was in the passenger seat. I heard on the radio that Franklin County Sheriff's Office ██████████ was following a vehicle on Norton Road, headed toward Georgesville Road. I told ██████████ to drive in that general direction. We turned right out of the Franklin Township Police Department and headed west on Frank Road. As we traveled, I turned my personal radio on to the Columbus City channel so that I could monitor Columbus Police Department radio traffic.

As ██████████ and I approached Harrisburg Pike, I witnessed a CPD Prisoner Transport Vehicle (PTV) followed by a Franklin Township Police Cruiser driven by ██████████ turn right from Harrisburg Pike onto Clime Road, traveling west. Both vehicles had lights and sirens activated. I instructed ██████████ to activate our cruiser's lights/sirens and to follow ██████████. While we were following ██████████'s cruiser, I heard someone air that the suspect had been involved in an active shooter incident. I heard CPD air that the suspect was traveling north on Georgesville Road, toward Clime Road. I told ██████████ that we were likely going to meet the suspect at the intersection of Georgesville and Clime. As we approached Georgesville Road, I retrieved the rifle from the cruiser and activated my body worn camera. I heard ██████████



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air that cruisers and were approaching Clime and Georgesville.

At the intersection of Clime and Georgesville, I saw stop with the front side of his cruiser nearly perpendicular to the front of a small white sedan that was in the middle northbound lanes on Georgesville Road. From radio traffic, I knew this to be the suspect vehicle. parked our cruiser immediately behind (east of) s. I saw the suspect- a tall, black, male, exit the white sedan and immediately turn south and fire multiple rounds from a small, black, handgun at CPD officers. The suspect ran northeast into the grassy median on the south side of Clime Road and the East Side of Georgesville Road. I heard officers, including CPD officers, and return fire. I ran to the rear of my cruiser for cover. The suspect still appeared to have his gun in his hand. I fired what I believe was one round from the rifle. I believe the suspect dropped his gun. I heard someone air that a CPD Officer had been hit.”

wrote the following in reference to the moment(s) when he fired his weapon:

“At the time I fired my weapon at the suspect, I do not believe I had any reasonable alternative to protect my life, the lives of the other officers on the scene, and the lives of the civilians on the road at that time. I did have a taser with me, however, given my distance from the suspect and that I believed the suspect had fired at officers and shot a CPD officer, I did not believe it would be appropriate to counter their deadly force with a taser.”

Franklin Township Police

provided BCI with a written witness statement of his involvement in the incident and wrote the following about the events immediately surrounding the shooting:

“At just after 6:00pm, I was leaving the Franklin Township Police Department, located at 2193 Frank Road, when a call came over the air regarding a suspect coming from Madison County. We were sitting in the cruiser at the intersection of 62 South and Clime/Frank Road by the station when a Columbus Police Department (CPD) Wagon came south on 62 and turned right (west) onto Clime Road. was following the wagon in his cruiser. told me to follow and he activated our lights and sirens.

We continued west on Clime Road until we got near the intersection of Clime and Georgesville Road. I was unsure where the CPD Wagon had gone, but stopped in the middle of the intersection after beginning to turn south on Georgesville Rd. His cruiser, Cruiser was



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facing southwest. My cruiser was directly behind him more on Clime Rd than on Georgesville Road. At the time, I remember a civilian car that appeared to have made contact with [REDACTED] s cruiser. I believed at the time that the front of his cruiser was at the back of the civilian vehicle. I could also see a light bar from a CPD vehicle in the northbound lane of Georgesville Road behind the civilian vehicle south/southwest of my location.

As I exited the driver's side of the cruiser, I could hear gunfire. I saw a male black in dark clothing running near the Georgesville southern crosswalk firing south towards the CPD cruiser I had seen. I was standing just north of the southeast corner of the intersection and [REDACTED] was to my right and slightly in front of me (southwest). The suspect was running to the east up and over the curb of Georgesville Road onto an elevated grassy area towards an empty parking lot. I drew my weapon. The suspect continued to fire in the directions of the CPD cruiser (south then southwest). I remember hearing at least 5 or 6 shots that I believe came from the suspect. I saw the gun in the suspect's right hand and could see the gun recoil as he shot. I knew other officers were firing and I saw [REDACTED] fire several time. I waited until the suspect was over the curb of the Georgesville to start firing so that I would not shoot in the direction of [REDACTED] or the CPD cruiser. When the suspect began to run east up the grassy incline with his right arm pointed to his right/back still firing at the cruiser and my backdrop was clear, I fired at the suspect until he fell to the ground. I believed at the time that I had fired 4-5 times."

[REDACTED] wrote the following in reference to the moment(s) when he fired his weapon:

"When I fired, I did not believe that I had any other reasonable alternative other than to fire to protect the CPD officers from imminent danger of death or severe bodily harm as the suspect was actively firing in their direction. I also did not believe I had any other alternative other than to fire to protect the Franklin Township officers or myself, who could have also been harmed or killed if the suspect decided to turn his fire towards us."



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All persons known to have relevant information regarding this investigation have been interviewed (or attempted), and all known pertinent records and evidence have been obtained and reviewed. BCI will continue to offer investigative assistance into any newly identified witnesses or information relative to this criminal investigation. BCI's investigation into this officer-involved critical incident is concluded unless such new information/witnesses is/are identified through grand jury or other means.

Agents remain available for consultation and/or to perform any additional investigation, analysis, processing and/or other assistance/involvement you might deem to be necessary.

Contact Information

The preceding information comprises only a portion of facts and circumstances collected during the investigation of the officer-involved shooting incident. For further review of specific information or documentation collected during the investigation, please refer to the individual reports and documents from which this summary was derived. Any questions regarding the content or context of the information contained in this document can be directed to the attention of Special Agent Craig Call. SA Call can be reached via email at timothy.call@OhioAGO.gov or by telephone, at 614-270-1066.