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Investigative Report

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Officer Involved Critical Incident - Zachary Logan Bryson,



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Investigative Activity: Crime Scene Processing

Activity Date: August 5, 2023

Activity Location: 6900 Block of South High Street near Rowe Road, Columbus, Ohio

Authoring Agent: Crime Scene Technician Amy Gill, #203

On August 5, 2023, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Crime Scene Technician (CST) Amy Gill and Special Agent (SA) Sarah Taylor, along with members of the BCI Special Investigations Unit (SIU), were assigned to assist the Columbus Police Department (CPD) with an officer involved critical incident. It was reported that CPD was a dispatched to the 6900 Block of South High Street near Rowe Road in reference to a suspicious male walking near the roadway. The made contact with a suicidal male, later identified as Zachary Bryson (Bryson). During the encounter, it was reported that Bryson charged at with a broken glass bottle. The material ischarged his firearm, striking Bryson multiple times. Bryson was transported to Grant Medical Center where he was pronounced deceased.



Image 1. CPD Cruiser # on South High Street

CST Gill arrived on scene at approximately 0300 hours. Both the north and southbound lanes of South High Street had been shut down. CPD Cruiser # was located on the outside shoulder of the

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northbound lanes, and the area was secured with crime scene tape. The scene was photographed as it was upon arrival.



Image 2. Piece of broken glass bottle (item 1)

A piece of a broken glass "Modelo" beer bottle was located on the ground in front of the cruiser near an area of suspected blood and collected as item 1. No additional pieces of glass were observed on or around the roadway. BCI personnel utilized a metal detector and located three Speer 9mm cartridge casings (item 2) on the grass embankment near the passenger side of the cruiser. No additional items of evidentiary value were located.

At 0717 hours, CST Gill placed all items of evidence from Scenes 1-3 in the BCI Crime Scene Unit temporary evidence locker located in London, Ohio

On August 7, 2023 at 1115 hours, CST Gill removed the evidence from the temporary evidence locker. At 1136 hours, the cartridge casings (Scene 1, item 2), firearm (Scene 2, item 1), and the projectile recovered from the hospital (Scene 3, item 1) were submitted to the BCI laboratory for examination. All remaining items were placed in the BCI temporary evidence locker #2 to be submitted to the BCI major crimes evidence vault.

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