



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



2024-4066
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 1004 Park Lane, Apartment A,
Middletown, Ohio (Butler County) (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Officer
Involves: Officer Marc Hunt, Jr. (W)
Date of Activity: 01/09/2025
Activity Location: Middletown Police Department – Business – One Donham Plaza,
Middletown, OH 45042
Author: SA David Hornyak, #112

Narrative:

On Thursday, January 9, 2025, at approximately 1019 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents Steven Seitzman and Dave Hornyak interviewed Middletown Police Officer Marc Hunt, who was accompanied by his attorneys Jennifer Knight and Robb Stokar from Front Line Advisors, LLC. The interview took place in a conference room in the administrative section of the Middletown Police Department (MPD). The interview was audio recorded.

Officer Hunt stated that he has been with MPD only since December 2, 2024, and is currently in the FTO stage of his training. On the night of December 24, 2024, his FTO was Officer Ryun Rawlins. Regarding the shooting incident that occurred that night, Off. Hunt provided the following information:

He and Off. Rawlins were dispatched to a dispute between two males. They departed for the location where they met up with MPD Officers [REDACTED] and Jacob Swanger. The officers determined that the disturbance was occurring on the second floor of the apartment building where they could hear two males arguing through the door. What was being said was not clear.

[REDACTED] positioned himself on the left side of the apartment door and announced, "Middletown Police" multiple times. Officer Rawlins was positioned behind [REDACTED]. Off. Hunt was behind Off. Rawlins, but down the stairs on the first floor where he had a clear view of the doorway. Off. Swanger was positioned on the stairs going up to the third floor.

Off. Hunt stated to investigators that he saw the subject open the apartment door with a gun in his hand and arm coming up. Off. Hunt said that [REDACTED] announced "Gun! Gun! Gun!" and then shot the subject three times. The subject fell to the floor.

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Off. Rawlins sequestered [REDACTED] away from the area of the shooting. Another male was then seen in the apartment who was later identified as the fallen subject's son. The son had his hands raised and screamed, "What happened!"

Off. Rawlins directed Off. Hunt to begin chest compressions on the subject. The son was removed from the scene and other officers on site cleared the rest of the apartment. Off. Hunt continued CPR and other officers assisted in providing first aid to the subject until medics arrived. Off. Hunt observed several gunshot wounds on the subject.

Off. Hunt stated that he did not remember in which hand the subject held the gun and said that no other officers fired during the encounter. Off. Hunt further stated that he had not viewed any body worn camera video from the incident prior to the BCI interview.

The interview terminated at approximately 1029 hours.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2024-01-09 / Off. Marc Hunt interview

Exhibit 1

Included as a separate file.