



## Narrative Supplement

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### Narrative(s)

#### Investigative Narrative Supplement

On Tuesday, July 12, 2022, at 2042, I was patrolling the area of Cook Road and SR48. I heard Officer Cordero from Clearcreek Township Police Department announce on the radio, "Shots fired, officer down, shot in the head." I immediately began to respond to her location.

When I arrived (unknown at the time), the female half of the domestic that they were there for opened the front gate for me to enter the driveway. I parked in the drive behind several other emergency vehicles that arrived before me. I rushed to the back of the property between two barns, where the shooting occurred.

Several police officers, paramedics, and deputies were providing lifesaving measures to Officer Eric Ney. I assisted by holding emergency equipment and in any other way possible. Just a few feet away, lying on his back with what appeared to be a gunshot wound to the head, was the shooting suspect Mark Evers.

Sergeant Kuhlman from Springboro Police Department, met me in the crime scene area. He arrived several minutes before I did, and he asked if I now wanted to take over control of the scene since I was the highest ranking officer on the scene. I told him to continue because he had already taken control, and I will assist him.

I helped with scene control and made arrangements to have Deputy Reil Becker bring the other half of the domestic from the roadway to the house's front porch. I also arranged to have a witness transported to Clearcreek Police Department for an interview.

I remained on the scene to assist until released by BCI and then returned to the Sheriff's Office.

*Dmy 872*

#### Investigative Narrative Supplement

On July 12, 2022 at 2042 hours, I heard Clearcreek Township police Sergeant Nicole Cordero announce over Primary 1 "shots fired, officer down". The Warren County Communications Center (WCCC) stated Clearcreek Twp police units were at 5945 N. St. Rt. 48. At this time, I responded emergency to the residence to provide assistance.

Myself and Deputy Joshua Hawthorne then arrived on scene approximately (3) minutes after being dispatched. Upon arrival, we were flagged down by Officer Cordero, whom was providing medical aid to Officer Eric Ney, whom had been shot in the head. Deputies Reil Becker and Danielle Deatherage then arrived on scene and began to perform life-saving measures on Eric, in an attempt to stop the bleeding coming from his facial region.

The suspect, identified as Mark Evers, appeared to have a gunshot wound to the head. Mark was not breathing and appeared to have succumbed to his injuries. I observed a small black handgun next to Mark's right hand.

After numerous other officers began to arrive on scene (Springboro PD, Franklin PD, Lebanon PD, WCSO deputies) to provide scene security, I went back over to Eric, and assisted in keeping him still while Clearcreek Township medics provided further medical care to him. Eric was then transported to Miami Valley Hospital by Care flight.

I then took up a perimeter security location outside of the crime scene, where I remained until the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) arrived on scene and relieved me of my position.

I then cleared the scene at 0006 hours on July 13, 2022.

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*Falco 938*

#### Investigative Narrative

On Tuesday, July 12, 2022, around 2042 hours, I was clearing from a call at 7654 Carter Drive, Wayne Township, Ohio. While typing notes, Clearcreek Township Officer Cordero came onto the radio and said "shots fired, officer down." I immediately responded in emergency mode to 5945 N. State Route 48.

Upon arrival, Deputy Falco and I announced we were on scene and asked where everyone was. Deputy Falco saw Officer Cordero waving us down. I ran over to where the scene was, and I immediately began taking life saving measures by placing pressure on Officer Ney's left ear area where he was actively bleeding from a gunshot wound. As more officers and deputies arrived, Deputies Becker and Deatherage took over my position. Officer Ney was starting to move his hands around, and for everybody's safety Officer Cordero was instructed to take Officer Ney's firearm from his holster and secure it. Myself and another officer checked on the suspect, Mark Evers. Mark was not breathing, and appeared to have a gunshot wound to his head.

Once more help arrived I assisted by clearing nearby barns with Officer Butler from Franklin Police Department. Once all barns were cleared, I assumed an inner perimeter post of the crime scene, and took pictures of the scene and casings that were located. Pictures were attached to this report. It should be noted that Sergeant Kuhlman from Springboro Police Department moved the firearm from the area of Mark Evers. Prior to moving the firearm, he did photograph the position of the firearm.

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Hawthorne 819

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On Tuesday July 12th, 2022, at approximately 2042 hours, I heard Sergeant Nicole Cordero from Clearcreek Township Police Department broadcast over Police Primary 1 "shots fired, 2Lincoln31 shots fired...officer down...officer down, gunshot to the head..." Deputy Danielle Deatherage and I were at 511 N. Broadway Street in the City of Lebanon when this transmission was broadcast. Deputy Deatherage and I were working as a two-person patrol unit while she completes phase 4 of field training. Deputy Deatherage was operating our patrol car and I was in the front passenger seat.

Deputy Deatherage immediately started responding to their location at 5945 N. State Route 48 in Clearcreek Township. We were approximately 6 miles away from Sergeant Cordero's location at the time of her radio transmission. Deputy Deatherage and I arrived on scene approximately three and a half minutes later. Sergeant Cordero had broadcast the gate code twice, and that she was in the rear of the property near the barn area during our response. When we arrived, the female half of the original domestic complaint was already down by the roadway with the gate open. Deputy Deatherage drove our patrol car up the driveway and stopped on the number 1 side of the first barn next to the house, in the grass. Deputy Deatherage exited the patrol car and immediately started running towards Sergeant Cordero and Officer Ney. I stopped at our trunk and picked up my two trauma bags and followed after her.

I observed Officer Ney laying on his back with his head oriented northeast towards the pond and his feet southwest. He was not moving and I was unable to discern if he was breathing. Sergeant Cordero was at his right shoulder trying to stop the bleeding in his head with her hands, calling his name over and over again. Deputy Hawthorne was kneeling down next to Officer Ney's left shoulder checking his head for wounds. Deputy Deatherage and I immediately took over critical care for Officer Ney. I told Officer Ney that deputies were here and were the people taking care of him. I was aware that Deputy Deatherage had a medical background and I told Deputy Hawthorne to move for her to replace him.

Deputy Deatherage knelt down at Officer Ney's head and I began handing her medical supplies. Deputy Deatherage placed two, large gauze pads on the entrance and exit wounds on Officer Ney's face and I began wrapping them with a self adhesive bandage. While Deputy Deatherage and I were working to stop the bleeding on Officer Ney's face, he kept reaching his hands up to his face, trying to move ours away and touch his face. Officer Ney was also moving his hand over his gun holster. Due to the seriousness of his injuries and the poor state of his consciousness, I instructed Sergeant Cordero to remove his firearm from his holster and secure it. Sergeant Cordero removed Officer Ney's firearm and her position of care was replaced by Deputy Billmaier.

When Sergeant Cordero got up, I noticed the suspect laying on his back, with Springboro Police Sergeant Kuhlman holding him at lethal cover. My view of the suspect was partially obstructed by a green off road vehicle, but he did not appear to be moving. I instructed Deputy Hawthorne to gather up arriving units and clear the barns and outbuildings while we continued caring for Officer Ney. I observed Officers Shelby Davis and Alex Butler from Franklin Police Department arrive on scene and I told them to start marking off the crime scene with tape and barriers. While we were working on Officer Ney, someone told me that the suspect was deceased and a firearm was removed from, or near, his hand.

Once we had the facial wounds packed and secured, Deputy Noah Billmaier and I removed Officer Ney's gunbelt, unbuttoned his shirt, and removed the top panel of his vest. I cut his undershirt and exposed his bare chest so we could assess him for additional penetrating injuries. I did not observe any injuries to his chest or ribs. Deputy Billmaier checked his legs and pelvic area while I checked his torso. While we were completing our assessment, Deputy Deatherage was reporting that he was breathing on his own and was trying to clear his mouth. Deputy Deatherage performed a finger sweep of Officer Ney's mouth with one hand while maintaining pressure on his wound with her other, and removed a large amount of blood and tissue.

Paramedics from the Clearcreek Township Fire Department arrived on scene and began assisting us with critical care. Deputy

Deatherage reported that Officer Ney was struggling to breathe due to blood in his mouth, so a medic unit handed me a suction machine and I started suctioning blood out of Officer Ney's mouth. Officer Ney continued to struggle against us, trying to raise his arms and touch his face. I told him multiple times that deputies and paramedics were attending to him and to leave his hands down. At one point, I knelt on Officer Ney's left hand with my left knee and braced it with my right knee so a medic could insert an IV line. Once the line was secured, I wrapped it with self-adhesive gauze. I continued suctioning blood out of Officer Ney's mouth and another medic handed me a non-rebreather mask to place over his nose and mouth. Paramedics began administering fluids at a wide-open flow.

With assistance from medics, we got Officer Ney on a backboard and strapped in. We picked him up and placed him on their cot. We wheeled Officer Ney down the gravel pathway around the pond to prepare him for transport via Careflight to Miami Valley Hospital in Dayton. Once the flight crew arrived on the scene, they took over direction of medical care. While the flight crew was doing their initial assessments, we were instructed to cut the rest of Officer Ney's shirt away and remove it from his body. Careflight crews determined it would be in Officer Ney's best interest to intubate him and sedate him, and they completed that task.

I observed Sergeant Barton from Clearcreek Township Police Department arriving on scene and running up to us at the moment the flight crew sedated Officer Ney. I grabbed his arm and told him they had intubated and sedated him, and told him that he was breathing and attempting to talk before flight crews took over care.

Once Officer Ney was onboard the helicopter, I reported Deputy Deatherage's and my involvement to Lieutenant Ron Day who had arrived on scene and began coordinating administrative things. A few minutes later, Sergeant Barton approached Deputy Deatherage and I and instructed us to walk down to the end of the driveway and retrieve the female half of the domestic. Sergeant Barton was clear that she was not to be escorted by anyone but us, and to place her on the front porch of house on the east side of the house.

Deputy Deatherage and I immediately responded to the roadway and picked up the suspect's wife, her cousin who also works at the farm, and her best friend who was on scene for emotional support. While Deputy Deatherage spoke with the suspect's wife to calm her down, I updated Major Tinch and Major Arrasmith, and Prosecutor David Fornshell, as to the nature of the incident, a brief incident timeline, the condition and destination of Officer Ney, and the medical assistance provided by Deputy Deatherage and myself.

Once my update was complete, Deputy Deatherage and I escorted the suspect's wife, her cousin, and her friend to the front porch. We remained with them until they were placed in the care of Major Tinch, at the direction of BCI&I. Major Tinch escorted the women to the Warren County Sheriff's Office for an interview with BCI&I and Deputy Deatherage and I responded back to the barn area to await further direction. Eventually, we were instructed by BCI agents to return to the Warren County Sheriff's Office where we were interviewed together.

At the conclusion of the interview, I debriefed Deputy Deatherage with the information I had at the time, and instructed her to go home for the night. At some point during the evening, I realized my county issued Naloxone had been lost in the chaos. I will replace this when I return to work.

*Becker 932*

**Investigative Narrative Supplement**

On Tuesday, July 12th, 2022, at approximately 2042 hours, Clearcreek Sergeant Cordero came across the radio "shots fired, officer down." Deputy Reil Becker and I responded in emergency mode to 5945 North State Route 48, Clearcreek Township, Warren County, Ohio.

Upon our arrival, I exited my cruiser and began running between two barns. I observed Deputy Joshua Hawthorne kneeling down over Officer Ney's body. I immediately began performing life saving measures. I located the sources of bleeding and immediately applied pressure. I placed my left hand on the left side of his face near his ear and my right hand covering a wound on his right cheek. Deputy Becker knelt down on the left side of me and began opening medical supplies and handing them to me. I took numerous gauze sponges and placed them over both sources of bleeding and immediately began wrapping Officer Ney's face with coban compression bandages. While wrapping his head, I made sure to not obstruct his airway.

Clearcreek EMS arrived on scene with additional deputies and officers from surrounding agencies. EMS provided additional medical supplies and immediately began to place an intravenous cannula in Officer Ney's left arm. I noticed Officer Ney started having labored respirations. I yelled out to EMS for a non-rebreather oxygen mask and portable suction. I instructed Deputy Becker and Deputy Billmaier to get Officer Ney's uniform shirt, vest, and belt off, to release pressure in an attempt to allow him to breath better. EMS returned with a non-rebreather mask, portable oxygen and suction. I continued holding pressure on Officer Ney's head, while Deputy Becker began suctioning blood from his mouth and nasal cavity before placing the non-rebreather mask over his mouth and nose. While performing duties, Officer Ney was in and out of consciousness, moving his arms near his face in an attempt to remove the mask.

EMS announced Care-Flight was close and instructed we needed to move him carefully to a safe spot prior their arrival. While I continued holding pressure on his wounds, multiple EMS and deputies lifted Officer Ney and began carrying him down the gravel drive to meet Care-Flight. Once Care-Flight landed, their medical staff placed Officer Ney under sedation before intubating him. Once he was intubated, I assisted in carrying him to the helicopter where he was transported to Miami Valley Hospital.

Once Officer Ney was onboard the helicopter, Deputy Becker reported hers and my involvement to Lieutenant Ron Day who had arrived on scene and began coordinating administrative things. A few minutes later, Sergeant Barton approached Deputy Becker and I and instructed us to walk down to the end of the driveway and retrieve the female half of the domestic. Sergeant Barton was clear that she was not to be escorted by anyone but us, and to place her on the front porch of the house on the east side of the house.

Deputy Becker and I immediately responded to the roadway and picked up the suspect's wife, her cousin who also works at the farm, and her best friend who was on scene for emotional support. While I spoke with the suspect's wife to calm her down, Deputy Becker updated Majors Tinch and Arrasmith, and Prosecutor David Fornshell, as to the nature of the incident, a brief incident timeline, the condition and destination of Officer Ney, and the medical assistance provided by us.

Once Deputy Becker completed the update, she and I escorted the suspect's wife, her cousin, and her friend to the front porch. We remained with them until they were placed in the care of Major Tinch, at the direction of BCI&I. Major Tinch escorted the women to the Warren County Sheriff's Office for an interview with BCI&I and Deputy Becker and I responded back to the barn area to await further direction. Eventually, we were instructed by BCI agents to return to the Warren County Sheriff's Office where we were interviewed together.

At the conclusion of the interview, Deputy Becker debriefed me with the information she had at the time, and instructed me to go home for the night.

*Denthanke 815*

**Investigative Narrative Supplement**

On July 12, 2022 I responded to 5945 N. State Route 48, in Clearcreek Township, for an officer involved shooting.

Upon arrival, I assisted in securing the other perimeter, at the front gate. As more units arrived, I offered to escort Clearcreek Detective Barton to the scene. Once on scene, I met with Sgt. Kuhlman who requested I assist in checking the buildings around the property. Officer Christian and I worked together to clear one side of the property, while two other units cleared the other side.

After clearing the buildings, Sgt. Kuhlman instructed me to clear the scene. I responded back to the outer perimeter and soon left.

*Tuck 950*

**Investigative Narrative Supplement**

On July 12, 2022, at 2042, Clearcreek Township Police Sergeant, Nicole Cordero, announced over Primary 1, "Shots fired, Officer down". I heard this and immediately switched my radio to my side channel and asked Sergeant Caito if I could respond, to which he said yes. I responded emergency to 5945 N ST RT 48, Clearcreek Township, Warren County, Ohio, to provide assistance.

Upon arrival, I was informed no one else was to go into the crime scene. I posted up on the outside of the home's entry gate and established a perimeter. Myself and several other Officers remained at the gate to ensure nobody entered the crime scene. Once BCI arrived, I was relieved and left the scene at 2205. Nothing further at this time.

Smith 919

### Investigative Narrative Supplement

On July 12, 2022 around 2015 hours I was notified of an officer involved shooting with a law enforcement officer suffering a gunshot wound in Clearcreek Township.

I arrived on scene and spoke with Major Arrasmith in regards to how I could assist. He stated he had just arrived as well and wasn't sure what was needed at the time. A news camera crew was observed within feet of the active scene. I spoke with Major Arrasmith about the camera's proximity to the scene and he said to notify them the media staging area would be at the church at the intersection of North State Route 48 and Lower Springboro Road. I notified the camera crew of the staging area and they left the immediate area of the scene.

A City of Lebanon police Officer showed up on scene and stated he had disinfectant wipes for another Lebanon Police Officer who was up near the barn and unable to walk out to get them. I delivered the wipes to Officer Snowden then assisted Deputy Billmaier in restraining the dogs running loosely through the crime scene.

I took no other interactive action while on scene.

Lansdell 820

### Deputy Involvements

Tinch, Brian 802- Approving Deputy	Date: 07/14/2022 12:52:03
Day, Ron 872- Reporting Deputy	Date: 07/13/2022 18:43:00
Falco, Frank 938- Reporting Deputy	Date: 07/13/2022 20:10:00
Tinch, Brian 802- Approving Deputy	Date: 07/14/2022 13:00:25
Hawthorne, Joshua 819- Reporting Deputy	Date: 07/12/2022 23:37:00
Tinch, Brian 802- Approving Deputy	Date: 07/14/2022 13:01:06
Becker, Reil 932- Reporting Deputy	Date: 07/14/2022 18:09:00
McGill, Roy 864- Approving Deputy	Date: 07/14/2022 22:30:32
Deatherage, Danielle 815- Reporting Deputy	Date: 07/14/2022 18:13:00
Tinch, Brian 802- Approving Deputy	Date: 07/15/2022 18:16:05
Tuck, Dakota 950- Reporting Deputy	Date: 07/15/2022 17:30:00
Tinch, Brian 802- Approving Deputy	Date: 07/15/2022 18:16:49
Smith, Brandon 919- Reporting Deputy	Date: 07/15/2022 17:33:00
Simpson, Jack 957- Approving Deputy	Date: 07/15/2022 18:45:00
Lansdell, Shawn 820- Reporting Deputy	Date: 07/15/2022 17:46:00
Tinch, Brian 802- Approving Deputy	Date: 07/15/2022 21:49:14