



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



2022-1190
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 1551 Meadowlark Lane,
Marysville, Ohio 43040 (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Officer
Involves: Nicholas Jarman (W)
Date of Activity: 05/30/2022
Activity Location: Union County Sheriff's Department – Business – 221 W Fifth St,
Marysville, OH 43040, Union County
Author: SA Perry K. Roeser, #114

Narrative:

On May 30, 2022, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) received a Request for Assistance from the Marysville (Ohio) Police Department, Chief Tony Brooks, regarding an Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) at 1551 Meadowlark Lane, Marysville, Ohio. The involved subject, Matthew Todhunter (Todhunter), was shot multiple times and did not survive the law enforcement contact. Life-saving measures were attempted at the scene (in the middle of the roadway) by law enforcement before emergency medical services arrived. Special Agent (SA) Perry Roeser learned Union County Deputy Nicholas Jarman (Jarman) was dispatched to the call for assistance. SA Roeser located and interviewed Jarman at the Union County Sheriff's Office. The sheriff's office is located at 222 W. 5th Street, Marysville, Ohio. The voluntary interview with Jarman began at 2219 hours.

SA Roeser asked Jarman when he began employment with the sheriff's office. Jarman said he graduated from an Ohio police academy in January of 2020. Jarman stated he gained employment with the Union County Sheriff's Office on March 7, 2022. He continued and noted he served as a police officer in the United States Army, Fort Campbell, Tennessee, for five years before leaving the armed services. Jarman said he was assigned to uniform patrol, carried a Glock 19 pistol, taser, and ASP on his duty belt in the traditional black deputy sheriff uniform, and had an active Body-Worn Camera (BWC) and cruiser cam footage of the call.

SA Roeser asked Jarman how he became involved in the call for service at 1551 Meadowlark Lane. Jarman said he was at headquarters when the call came in and was alerted to the call by Deputy Matejko (Matejko). Jarman said Matejko said there was a shooting. Jarman said he was still in Field Training and his FTO was Deputy Mitchell. Jarman said he operated the cruiser with Mitchell as a passenger to the call. While en route, Jarman heard over the police radio "shots fired." SA Roeser asked Jarman how long it took to arrive on the scene. Jarman said 8-10 minutes with lights and siren active. Once on scene, Jarman said he saw the emotion

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on Matejko's face that indicated "whatever threat there was had been neutralized." Jarman approached the subject, Matthew Todhunter (Todhunter), on the ground and rendered aid. Jarman said he then retrieved his first aid kit from the trunk of his cruiser and assisted with medical care. Jarman said he saw several wounds on Todhunter. Jarman noted that based on his military experience, he believed Todhunter had a "sucking chest wound." Jarman said they used everything in the first aid kit before Marysville Fire and Rescue arrived. Jarman noted Todhunter was unconscious the entire time he was with him but had a strong pulse.

Jarman said he witnessed a firearm near Todhunter with a black finish that looked a lot like the firearm they carry. Jarman said a Marysville police officer picked the gun up (without gloves) for safekeeping. Once Todhunter was removed from the scene, Jarman said he went house to house in the neighborhood to check to see if everyone was ok. Jarman mentioned one resident told him the truck Todhunter was operating was new to the area. Jarman further explained that he passed out witness statements to individuals who offered to write a report on what they had observed. Jarman was asked, from all the residents he spoke with, did anyone witness the shooting. Jarman said, "no".

After hanging crime scene tape, Jarman said he was relieved of duty from the scene. Jarman said he and Mitchell headed back to headquarters and awaited further instruction. The interview with Jarman concluded at 2242 hours.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2022-05-30 / Deputy Nicholas Jarman Interview

Exhibit 1

Included as a separate file.