

Ohio Attorney General's Office Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Investigative Report

2022-0727

Officer-Involved Critical Incident - 914 Salt Springs Road, Youngstown, Ohio 44509



Investigative Activity: Text Messages Received

Activity Date: June 5, 2022 and June 6, 2022

Activity Location: BCI Cell Phone

Authoring Agent: Special Agent Al Bansky #115

Narrative:

On June 5-6, 2022, Special Agent (SA) Al Bansky (Bansky) received on his BCI cell phone a text message from James Sheets' wife, Christy Rohn (Rohn), along with a video.

Rohn texted the following information:

"You could see there's no damage to the front of the vehicle. Only where they smashed into him. Since they said he rammed their vehicle in one story and that it was just a routine traffic stop in another."

SA Bansky requested from Rohn additional information to the person(s) who forwarded the video to her. At this time, Rohn was very hesitant to this request and wouldn't forward any information.

Video Review:

On June 6, 2022, SA Bansky conducted a review on the above video and noted the following:

- Video was captured through a vehicle front window.
- Video is approximately forty-four (44) seconds long.
- Video showed the passenger side of James Sheets' vehicle.
- Video shows several uniformed police officers around James Sheets' vehicle.
- Video shows one uniformed officer reaching into the passenger-side window.

Note: The uniformed police officer who was reaching into the passenger-side window was identified as Youngstown City Police Officer Gregg Tackett (Tackett). According to Officer Tackett during an interview conducted by SA Bansky, on June 16, 2022, after the shooting incident, Officer Tackett reached into the passenger-side window to "shut engine off."

The disc containing the video footage was submitted to the file section of this case file. Please refer to the video footage.