

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



2023–2219 Officer Involved Critical Incident – 1389 Marion Drive Columbus, Ohio 43207

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness

Involves: Alek Willey (W)

Date of Activity: 08/24/2023

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Narrative:

On Thursday, August 24, 2023, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Andrew Russell (SA Russell) and Detective Sargent Jim Marable (Marable) interviewed Alek Willey (Willey), relative to the officer-involved shooting which took place on Wednesday, August 23, 2023. in the area of 1389 Marion Drive. The interview took place in Jimmy John's, 3241Tremont Road, Columbus, Ohio 43221. The purpose of the interview was to obtain all relevant information of the incident known or observed by this individual.

Willey stated that he was the area manager for Jimmy John's restaurant and hired Jamie Overstreet (Overstreet), who has been employed there for 10 months. Willey added that he did not know Overstreet prior to hiring him.

Willey advised that he received a text from Overstreet on August 23rd around 09:25am, that stated he (Overstreet) really needed a break, 'I need one or two days to get my head right, I don't know how this can happen, can you help me, I just can't function mentally'. Willey added that he replied to the text with, 'that will be hard to do as everyone is short staffed'. Willey stated that Overstreet did not reply. Willey continued, later that day he saw Overstreet at the store and appeared to be in a good mood and worked his regular shift until 3:00pm.

Willey added that Overstreet took a few days off a week earlier for mental health, but didn't advise specifics. Willey also stated that Overstreet told him that he had a warrant out for him for violating a protection order. Willey added that the talk in the store was that Overstreet had family issues. Willey added that Overstreet has several family members and friends working at the store. Willey advised that Overstreet started to text him with his mental health issues around the 10th of August.

The interview was audio recorded. The recording is attached to this report. Please see the attachment for further details.

Attachments:

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