



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



2025-2193
Officer Involved Critical Incident - 33635 Haning Road,
Albany, Ohio, 45710 (L)

Investigative Activity: Involved Deputy Interview
Involves: [REDACTED]
Activity Date: 07/08/2025
Activity Location: 33635 Haning Road, Albany, Ohio 45710
Authoring Agent: SA Chad Holcomb, #61

Narrative:

On Tuesday, July 08, 2025, at 1805 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Chad Holcomb (SA Holcomb) interviewed Megis County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) [REDACTED]. The interview took place at the scene. The interview was audio recorded.

SA Holcomb informed [REDACTED] before the interview started that his statement was voluntary and he could stop speaking at any time; he agreed to speak.

[REDACTED] was identified as being a police officer who witnessed and/or had some level of involvement in the July 8, 2025 officer-involved critical incident which occurred around 33635 Haning Road, Albany, Ohio. Reportedly, [REDACTED] did not discharge a firearm during the incident. The purpose of the interview was to obtain all relevant information of the incident known or observed by this deputy.

[REDACTED] stated his radio call sign on July 8, 2025, was [REDACTED]. He has been employed by the MCSO for [REDACTED]. He has been a police officer for a total of 27 years. During the incident, [REDACTED] wore his standard police uniform with a metal police badge affixed to it. He also wore an external ballistic vest and duty belt. He drove MCSO unit [REDACTED], marked with MCSO emblems and emergency lights. He considered himself to be well-represented as a police officer during the incident.

SA Holcomb asked about [REDACTED] body camera (BWC) which was affixed to his vest and whether it was recording during the incident. [REDACTED] stated it was not. He continued to say that it was not activated because traditionally when they are assisting on task force warrants, the BWC's are not turned on.

SA Holcomb asked how [REDACTED] got involved in the case. He said that around 1330 hours, he was requested to assist the task force regarding an internet crimes against children (ICAC) warrant. He was requested as the marked unit.

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██████████ arrived on scene for the search warrant and the two males, Patrick (Patrick) and Christopher (Christopher) McDaniel, were removed from the residence. He initially stayed in the house with the mother, Janet McDaniel.

Eventually ██████████ heard Patrick yelling outside to his mother stating that he was looking at inappropriate things on the internet. Lieutenant Tylun Campbell (Lt. Campbell) told ██████████ to arrest Patrick. He exited the residence and walked up to Patrick who was standing off the front porch. ██████████ explained to Patrick that he was going to be placed under arrest and to face away from him and put his hands behind his back.

██████████ grabbed Patrick's left wrist to place a handcuff on him. ██████████ stated, "At that time, he [Patrick] reached back and tried to uh grab ahold of my firearm and made a comment that he wasn't going to put up with this. I blocked his hand away from my firearm and he lunged towards the other deputy, which was uh, ██████████ who was standing in front of me."

██████████ stated that Patrick then ran into ██████████ and removed his firearm from his holster. At that time, ██████████ jumped on Patrick's back and attempted to wrestle the firearm away from him. During the process of Patrick getting the firearm from ██████████ the deputy fell back onto the ground and ██████████ was afraid of ██████████ safety.

While ██████████ was on Patrick's back, he was struggling with him trying to get control of the firearm. The deputy stated that a couple times, Patrick pointed the firearm at his own head. ██████████ was able to pull the firearm away from Patrick's head.

At some point Lt. Campbell told ██████████ to 'let him go.' ██████████ released Patrick and backed away from him. ██████████ then drew his firearm and told Patrick to drop the weapon. Patrick would move the firearm, which was in his right hand, from his side to his head; eventually discharging the firearm to his right temple.

██████████ doesn't recall Patrick saying anything during the struggle or after he backed away. ██████████ also stated that the less-lethal options he had available were pepper spray and a taser. SA Holcomb asked why none of those options were used. He stated that when Patrick lunged for ██████████ he went hands on immediately and couldn't use any less-lethal options.

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SA Holcomb asked [REDACTED] if he ever feared for his life during the incident. He stated that he feared more for [REDACTED] safety. "When he [Patrick] got his [REDACTED] gun, I thought he was going to kill him."

The interview concluded at approximately 1817 hours.

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

References:

No references.

Attachments:

Attachment #01: 2025-07-08 - [REDACTED] Interview (2025-2193)

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