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Prosecutor Summary

INVESTIGATION REGARDING:

Officer-Involved Critical Incident (Shooting) - Thomas Nock, North Olmsted
Police Department ██████████ ██████████ Westlake Police Department
██████████ ██████████

INVESTIGATING AGENCY:

Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation

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2023-2941 BCI Special Investigation Unit
BCI Crime Scene Unit
BCI Criminal Intelligence Unit
BCI Cyber Crimes Unit
23-39785 BCI Laboratory
23-44320 North Olmsted Police Department
23-27641 Westlake Police Department

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Saturday November 4, 2023

DATE OF REPORT:

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Investigative Request

On Saturday, November 4, 2023, at approximately 0324 hours, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was requested by the North Olmsted Police Department (NOPD) to conduct an independent investigation of the facts and circumstances surrounding an officer-involved shooting which occurred in the area of 5230 Douglas Drive, North Olmsted 44070. The shooting incident involved a subject identified as Thomas Nock (Nock), North Olmsted Police Department [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and Westlake Police Department [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. During the incident [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was shot in the left arm and chest. He was treated for his injuries and released from a local hospital. Nock also sustained numerous gunshot injuries which resulted in his death. The BCI Crime Scene Unit (CSU) and the Special Investigations Unit (SIU) were requested.

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Investigative Team

BCI Special Agent Matthew Armstrong from the Special Investigations Unit (SIU) was assigned as the lead investigator. He received assistance from BCI SIU SA Nick Valente, SA Joseph Goudy, SA Cory Momchilov, SA Jon Lieber, SA Eric Lehnhart, and SA Andrew Harasimchuk.

BCI Crime Scene Unit (CSU) Ed Staley and Crime Scene Technician Mike Rostocil documented and collected pertinent evidence at the scene.

Additionally, various personnel from the BCI crime laboratory performed scientific analyses on submitted items of potential physical evidence.

The investigation was supervised by Special Agent Supervisors Jon Lieber and Charles Moran.

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Preface:

This report serves as a synopsis of the investigation into the September 3, 2023, officer-involved shooting in North Olmsted, Cuyahoga County, Ohio. This report only summarizes the information determined to be the most useful in achieving an overall understanding of what occurred during this incident. Every fact and detail are not presented in this summary report. Therefore, it is recommended that each individual report from which this document is derived be read to obtain a complete understanding of this investigation. Further, audio and/or video recordings exist for the interviews conducted, revealing further details of statements given regarding the incident.

This investigation was conducted with the purpose of determining, to the extent possible, the facts and circumstances surrounding this incident. As unbiased collectors of fact, the investigative team has not and will not render any opinion of the legality of officers' actions. Instead, it is anticipated that this investigation will provide the basis of information for decisions to be rendered by the appropriate authorities.

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Summary of Process

The following is a partial list of investigative activities or methods which were employed during the course of this investigation by the investigative team, in an effort to thoroughly and accurately locate and document all pertinent facts and circumstances regarding this incident:

- Responded to and processed the crime scene for potential evidence (photographing, searching, 3D scanning, measuring, documenting, and collecting).
- Canvassed for surveillance video cameras in the area surrounding the scene.
- Obtained and executed a search warrant to Ring LLC for surveillance camera video recordings.
- Obtained video from surveillance cameras at one residence
- Canvassed for witnesses in the area of the incident.
- Interviewed 10 civilian witnesses to the incident.
- Responded to the Westlake Police Department and collected Involved Westlake Police [REDACTED]'s firearm and body worn camera (BWC).
- Responded to St. John Westshore Hospital and collected Involved North Olmsted Police [REDACTED]'s firearm, vest and police equipment.
- Examined and photographed [REDACTED]'s weapons, pertinent clothing and equipment.
- Examined and documented the involved subject's clothing.
- Obtained and executed a search warrant on the involved subject's Apple iPhone.
- Reviewed data extracted from the involved subject's Apple iPhone.
- Completed a video recorded interview with involved [REDACTED] who discharged his weapon.
- Completed a video recorded interview of one witness officer who was present at the time of the incident.
- Attempted to interview involved North Olmsted [REDACTED] who declined to participate.
- Attempted to interview North Olmsted witness officer Kyle Wilson who failed to participate.
- Reviewed EMS records pertaining to their response and the medical treatment administered.
- Obtained and reviewed body worn camera video footage related to the incident.
- Obtained and reviewed in-car-cruiser camera footage related to the incident.
- Obtained and reviewed drone footage recorded by the Westlake Police Department.
- Reviewed surveillance camera footage.

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- Reviewed dispatch/CAD records pertaining to the incident.
- Reviewed audio communications on the radio frequencies utilized during the incident.
- Determined Mobile Data Terminal (MDT) communications relative to the incident did not exist.
- Reviewed the North Olmsted Police Department's reports and investigative materials pertaining to the incident, (excluding any Garrity statements or information derived from any compelled statement)
- Reviewed the Westlake Police Department's reports and investigative materials pertaining to the incident, (excluding any Garrity statements or information derived from any compelled statement)
- Collected and reviewed the departmental personnel files of the involved officers to include training and disciplinary records.
- Reviewed firearm qualification records for the involved officers.
- Verified the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission (OPOTC) certification status of the involved officers.
- Obtained the department's policies and procedures regarding the use of force for prosecutorial review.
- Obtained and reviewed open and closed-source biographical information on the involved subjects, to include criminal history reports, OHLEG, driving records, etc.
- Obtained records of prior law enforcement contacts with the involved subject.
- Conducted forensic laboratory examinations to include:
 1. Firearm identification testing of the 3 involved firearms and recovered cartridge cases.
 2. Firearm operability testing.

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On Saturday, November 4, 2023, at approximately 0139 hours, officers of the North Olmsted Police Department (NOPD) were dispatched to an attempted murder at [REDACTED] North Olmsted, Ohio. Due to the nature of the call, Westlake Police also responded. Officers were informed a male with blood on him approached the caller at 5650 Park Ridge and said someone was trying to kill his uncle at [REDACTED]. The male then ran off from the caller.

North Olmsted Police [REDACTED]s [REDACTED] and Wilson responded to [REDACTED] while other officers checked the area for the male who ran from the caller. While out of their cruisers on [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and Officer Wilson heard what they believed was a gunshot and saw that [REDACTED] appeared to be on fire. Moments later, they saw a subject, Thomas Nock, exit the front door of the home and run West through backyards on [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] pursued Nock on foot running west across Douglas Drive until he encountered Nock in bushes at the rear of 5320 Douglas Drive. Westlake [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were on [REDACTED] in a cruiser together while the foot pursuit was taking place. They exited their cruiser and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] made his way to the rear of 5230 Douglas Drive.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] ordered Nock to stop moving. Moments later, Nock began firing at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] responded by firing at Nock.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] was struck on the left forearm and the chest. He was treated for his injuries and released from the hospital. Nock sustained numerous gunshot wounds and later died as a result of his injuries.

The firearm utilized by Nock was recovered at the scene. It was a Beretta, APX, .40 caliber pistol. Two fired .40 caliber cartridge casings were recovered from the scene. They were forensically examined and confirmed to have been fired by the firearm recovered from Nock.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] fired an FN, 15, .223 caliber rifle. Twenty fired .223 cartridge casings were recovered from the scene. They were forensically examined and confirmed to have been fired by [REDACTED] [REDACTED]s rifle.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] fired a Glock, 17, 9mm pistol. Eight fired 9mm cartridge casings were recovered from the scene. They were forensically examined and confirmed to have been fired by [REDACTED] [REDACTED]s pistol.

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Crime Scene Processing

The BCI Special Investigations Unit (SIU) and Crime Scene Unit (CSU) responded to the crime scene to document, process and preserve items of potential evidence. The process included the search for, documentation and collection of potential evidence. Detailed photographs and crime scene reports were completed with the information below only summarizing some of the more significant findings.

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BCI SA Staley processed the scene of the shooting incident. The shooting scene was located at the intersection of three properties, 5230 Douglas Drive, 5212 Douglas Drive and 5219 Berkshire Drive. Consent to search was obtained from the resident at each of those properties.



Area where the Officer Involved Critical Incident took place, adjoining properties between Berkshire Drive, Douglas Drive, and [REDACTED]

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The scene was photographed and documented along with each as found and again with an evidence placard.

At the rear of 5230 Douglas Drive was a shed. Behind the shed was an area between the shed and a neighboring wooden fence. Eight F.C. 9mm cartridge cases were located in the space between the back of the shed and the wooden fence. They were collected, secured, and preserved as evidence items #1 through #7, and #30 on the Inventory Receipt.

At the rear of 5219 Berkshire Drive and bordering neighboring properties 5230 and 5212 Douglas Drive was a wooden fence. A section of the wooden fence appeared to have been broken down as it was lying on the ground of 5219 Berkshire Drive. The following items were located in the back yard of 5219 Berkshire Drive:

- Item #8 - White Nike® athletic type shoe
- Item #10 - Apple cellular phone
- Item #11 - CRKT® folding knife
- Item #12 - Black stocking hat
- Item #13 - Pair of prescription glasses.

There were also multiple items of medical debris from EMS intervention.

A handgun was located in the back yard of 5219 Berkshire Drive. It was under the section of wooden fence that was lying on the ground. It was collected, secured, and preserved as evidence item #8 on the Inventory Receipt. The table below contains details relevant to the handgun:

Firearm Data

Make	Beretta 40 S&W #8
Model	APX
Color	Gray and Black
Serial Number	A002240Y
Condition	Loaded
Owner	Unknown

There were also reddish-brown stains on the wooden fence, on the ground, and at the base of a large tree in the back yard of 5219 Berkshire Drive. The area was photographed as it was found and again with placard (B) for documentation. A representative swab from the reddish-brown stains was collected as evidence item #39

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on the Inventory Receipt. Also, at the base of the large tree were two fired Federal® 40 S&W cartridge cases. They were collected, secured, and preserved as evidence items #28 and #29 on the Inventory Receipt.

At the rear of 5212 Douglas Drive and in the corner that bordered 5230 Douglas Drive, there were 21 fired F.C. .223 cartridge cases. They were collected, secured, and preserved as evidence items #14, through #26 and #31 through #37 on the Inventory Receipt. Two fired .223 cartridge cases were packaged in Item #15 as they were together at the same locations.

There were also reddish-brown stains on an area of leaves in the back yard of 5212 Douglas Drive. The area was photographed as it was found and again with placard (A) for documentation. A representative swab from the reddish-brown stains was collected as evidence item #38 on the Inventory Receipt.

A black backpack was located along the hedge between 5230 and 5212 Douglas Drive. It was collected, secured, and preserved as evidence item #27 on the Inventory Receipt.

Sergeant Fioritto of the North Olmsted Police Department utilized the North Olmsted Police Department's Faro® scanner to complete a 3D scan of the scene and located evidence.

For additional information refer to the photographs, the 3D scan stored as Reference Item H and the investigative report titled *2023-11-04 - Process Scene of OICI*.

Response to Westlake Police Department

On November 4, 2023, at approximately 0720 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Matthew Armstrong (Armstrong) went to the Westlake Police Department (WPD) to collect evidence relevant to the November 4, 2023, officer-involved shooting. Prior to responding, SA Armstrong had been informed the involved officer was [REDACTED]. He had been sent home after being photographed in his uniform. Sgt. Frey collected the firearm [REDACTED] [REDACTED] used during the incident and it had been secured at the police department.

At WPD, SA Armstrong met with Sgt. Douglas Shelby (Shelby). Sgt. Shelby turned over [REDACTED] [REDACTED]'s firearm which was identified as a Glock Model 17 9mm pistol SN: [REDACTED]. The firearm was unloaded but had three magazines containing ammunition with it. SA Armstrong completed a round count and photographed the firearm, magazine and ammunition. The magazines contained the following:

- Magazine 1 – 10 live cartridges of F.C. 9mm Luger

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- Magazine 2 - 17 live cartridges of F.C. 9mm Luger
- Magazine 3 - 17 live cartridges of F.C. 9mm Luger

Sgt. Shelby indicated he had no information regarding the collection of the firearm or the condition of the ammunition when it was collected.

SA Armstrong later spoke with Sgt. Frey, who indicated he collected [REDACTED] s firearm and completed a round count. Sgt. Frey reported he collected three magazines from [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. One magazine was inserted in the firearm and there was one live cartridge of ammunition in the chamber of the gun. The cartridge from the chamber was returned to the magazine he removed from the gun. In addition, two spare magazines were collected from [REDACTED] s vest. They each contained 17 live cartridges.

Based on the round count, if [REDACTED] s firearm was loaded to full capacity at the time of the shooting, he would have fired eight times.

While present at WPD, Sgt. Shelby indicated [REDACTED] s body-worn camera (BWC) was activated moments after the shooting incident. Based on their review of the footage it appeared the 30 seconds of video recorded prior to the activation of the camera did not capture the shooting incident. Due to this, [REDACTED] s BWC was collected as evidence to preserve potential video evidence stored on the device. It was an Axon Body 3 camera SN: [REDACTED]

On November 9, 2023, the relevant video footage was obtained from the BWC.

For additional information refer to the photographs and investigative reports titled *2023-11-04: Collection of Evidence at Westlake Police Department* and *2023-11-09: Video Extracted and BWC Returned to Agency*.

Response to St. John West Shore Hospital

On November 4, 2023, at approximately 0620 hours, SA Armstrong arrived at St. John West Shore Hospital to speak with North Olmsted Police Department [REDACTED] [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] was in an exam room in the emergency department. He was accompanied by Fraternal Order of Police Senior Staff Representative Lucy DiNardo. He declined to provide a statement at that time.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] had two wounds on his left forearm (*IMG_0413*) and a deep red abrasion on the right side of his left nipple (*IMG_0411*).

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IMG_0413



IMG_0411

██████████'s clothing and police equipment was present in the exam room. It was collected for examination and photographs. The items collected included ██████████'s pistol, pistol magazines, rifle, two rifle magazines each containing ammunition, one live .223 cartridge, ballistic vest, vest carrier, duty gear, police uniform, and personal clothing. His boots, watch and glasses were photographed but left with him. ██████████ was informed that some of his equipment would be returned to his police department after it was photographed. SA Armstrong transported the items to the scene. They were examined and photographed in SA Staley's Crime Scene Unit Vehicle.

For additional information refer to the photographs and the investigative report titled *2023-11-04: Officer Contact and Collection of Evidence*.

Examination of ██████████'s Equipment and Clothing

An examination of ██████████'s clothing and equipment revealed defects on his uniform shirt, his under shirt, ballistic vest carrier, ballistic vest, a broken knife, and a broken pen. His tourniquet case was empty, and his tourniquet was open and loose with his equipment. His gear and uniform were covered in dried dirt and a red substance which appeared to be blood. After photographing all the equipment, the following items were examined and photographed in detail:

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██████████'s uniform shirt had 3 defects on the left sleeve near the cuff
 (*IMG_0527*) and one defect on the left chest area (*IMG_0525*, *IMG_0532*). His gray
 undershirt had two defects on the left sleeve near the cuff.



IMG_0527



IMG_0525



IMG_0532

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██████████'s ballistic vest and vest carrier had one external defect which continued through each layer of the carrier and ballistic vest (IMG_0458, IMG_0485). A projectile was recovered from the left chest area of the ballistic vest (IMG_0492, IMG_0499).



IMG_0458



IMG_0485



IMG_0492



IMG_0499

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██████████'s duty pistol was a Glock, Model: 45, 9mm. An ammunition count revealed it was loaded with one cartridge in the chamber. The 17 round magazine inserted in it contained 17 cartridges. There were two additional 17 round magazines on ██████████'s vest carrier. They each contained 17 cartridges. Based on the ammunition count, it appeared ██████████'s duty pistol was not fired during the shooting incident.

██████████'s rifle was an FN, Model: FN 15, SN: ██████████. One 30 round capacity magazine contained 6 .223 Rem FC 23c cartridges (*IMG_0508*). There was one live .223 Rem FC 23c cartridge present with the firearm. Officers in the hospital indicated it was removed from the chamber of the rifle when ██████████ was transported to the hospital. The second 30 round capacity magazine contained 28 .223 Rem FC 23c cartridges (*IMG_0506*). Based on the ammunition count, it appeared there were seven total cartridges remaining from the magazine likely inserted in the rifle at the time of the shooting incident. If that magazine was loaded with 28 cartridges (commonly loaded with two less cartridges than the maximum capacity) like the second magazine, it would indicate ██████████ fired 21 times.



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IMG_0506

Upon completion of the examination, the following items were collected as evidence:

- One FN, Model: FN 15, SN: [REDACTED] .223 caliber rifle with one magazine containing 6 cartridges and one cartridge from the chamber (Matrix Evidence Item #40)
- [REDACTED] [REDACTED] s uniform shirt (Matrix Evidence Item #41)
- [REDACTED] [REDACTED] s grey under shirt (Matrix Evidence Item #42)
- [REDACTED] [REDACTED] s ballistic vest and external carrier with a damage knife and pen (Matrix Evidence Item #43)
- One projectile recovered from [REDACTED] [REDACTED] s vest (Matrix Evidence Item #44)

For additional information refer to the photographs and the investigative report titled *2023-11-04: Officer Contact and Collection of Evidence*.

Documentation of Thomas Nock's Clothing

The clothing worn by Nock at the time of the incident was collected at the hospital and provided to BCI by NOPD Lieutenant Angel Walling. It was secured in the BCI Evidence Drying Room until it was examined and placed in evidence. The following items were documented:

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1. White athletic type shoe with reddish-brown stains on it.
2. Pair of blue colored underwear with reddish-brown stains.
3. Light colored under shirt size large with reddish-brown stains.
4. Tan colored jeans with reddish-brown stains and four defects. They contained a pack of cigarettes, five-dollar bill, Visa card [REDACTED], black cloth with fifty-dollar bill within the material. The Fifty-dollar bill was covered in reddish-brown stains and appeared to be severely damaged.
5. Shirt, size large with reddish-brown stains and three possible defects.
6. Black colored pullover jacket with reddish-brown stains and three or four defects.
7. Black hooded sweatshirt size 2XL with reddish-brown stains and six defects.

For additional details refer to the photographs and the investigative report titled *2023-11-13: Documentation of Subject Clothing*.

Neighborhood Canvass

While the crime scene was being processed, agents conducted a neighborhood canvass in the area of the shooting incident. The purpose of the canvass was to identify and interview potential witnesses to the officer-involved shooting. It was also conducted to identify any potential sources of video surveillance. Agents located and recovered surveillance video recordings from one residence. None of the surveillance video recordings captured the actual shooting incident. Agents spoke with 10 potential witnesses. None of the witnesses visually witnessed the shooting incident. The information provided by each of the potential witnesses has been detailed throughout this section.

Constance and William Sheehan

Constance Sheehan (Constance) and William Sheehan (William) were residents of 28480 Alden Drive, North Olmsted, Ohio. Their residence was one house west of [REDACTED] which was the home set on fire and where Nock initially fled from.

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At 0147 hours, they received a motion alarm from a Ring camera placed on a shed in the back of their property near the house to the east. After hearing the motion alarm go off Constance heard "pop, pop, pop, pop." She believed she heard 6 "pops". William believed he heard three "pops." William stated he was an NRA instructor and believed the sound was consistent with a 9mm.

After hearing the "pops" Constance got up and looked out the back of her home. She could see there was a fire at the back of her neighbor's home. Constance then went to the front of her home and saw police were present outside.

Constance explained that the home next door was owned by a woman named [REDACTED] [REDACTED], but her stepson [REDACTED] lived there. She said [REDACTED] [REDACTED] s grandson, moved into the home around September after he was released from Grafton (prison).

William told agents he called the non-emergency police number and reported what he knew about the incident earlier that morning. William also said [REDACTED] "had three capias' out for him" at the time of this incident.

William showed agents video on his phone that was captured by his Ring cameras on the front and back of his home. He also had video recordings from a separate DVR system. A copy of the video recordings was obtained. None of the recording captured the actual shooting incident.

Rita Fritz

Rita Fritz (Fritz) was a resident of 5212 Douglas Drive, North Olmsted, Ohio. Her residence was one house north of the shooting location at 5230 Douglas Drive. She provided written consent for the search of her property.

Fritz stated she was awake at the time of the incident and called police reporting what she heard and observed. Fritz reported that at approximately 0200 hours, she was lying in bed when she heard gunshots coming from outside her home. Fritz stated the gunshots originally sounded like they were far away from her home. Fritz believed the sound of the gunshots came from east of her home. Fritz stated that the sound of gunshots got closer and closer to her home. Eventually the gunshots sounded like they were in her backyard. Between approximately 0200 hours and 0230 hours, Fritz heard people walking outside the west side of her home by her bedroom window. Fritz then looked out the front window of her home and saw two men standing over a third man. The third man was lying down in her front yard near the sidewalk along the west side of her driveway. Fritz called 911 when she saw the men in her front yard. Fritz was

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unable to describe the men in her yard and could not tell if they were police officers. Fritz heard a lot of yelling but could not recall anything specific that was said. After calling 911 Fritz noticed that the men in her front yard were gone. Fritz reported hearing further gunshots from afar after the three men in her yard were no longer there. Fritz did not have any video cameras on her property.

Pasquale Cassano

Pasquale Cassano (Cassano) was a resident of 5230 Douglas Drive, North Olmsted, Ohio. The shooting incident occurred in the back yard of his residence. He provided written consent for the search of his property.

Cassano said he did not hear any gunshots but saw lots of lights flashing. At approximately 0200 hours the police banged on the door. He went out to his back sunroom porch and asked what was going on. They said it was the police and that was it. There was a Ring camera next to his front door and he indicated he also had one on the back porch. He said he paid over \$100.00 per year for the service but did not know his account number, username, or email address. He was also unable to access the application or provide agents the ability to access his account to verify if his cameras recorded any relevant footage of the incident.

Benjamin Harris and Nadiya Harris

Benjamin Harris (Benjamin) and Nadiya Harris (Nadiya) were the residents of 5219 Berkshire Drive, North Olmsted, Ohio. The shooting incident occurred in the back yard east (directly behind) their residence. Benjamin provided written consent for the search of their property. Some of the projectiles struck their residence and a portion of their fence was knocked down by police.

Nadiya said she was sleeping in a bedroom in the back of the home's upper level with her young child when the shooting occurred. Her husband was sleeping in a separate bedroom at the front of the home. Nadiya was awakened by what she believed to be the sound of gunfire. She believed she heard a total of 3 gunshots. Her husband woke to the sound of gunfire. They began to look out the windows of the home and observed a variety of police officers moving about the front and back of their property.

They did not open any doors or windows to their home to ensure they did not distract the police from whatever was occurring outside. As time went on, Nadiya saw police gathering near the back of her property where a fence separated her backyard from the backyard of the home directly behind her home. Eventually the police pulled a section of the fence down and then pulled a person into her back yard through the fence. This document is the property of the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation and is confidential in nature. Neither the document nor its contents are to be disseminated outside your agency except as provided by law - a statute, an administrative rule, or any rule of procedure.



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opening they created. The police then performed CPR. on the individual for approximately 5 to 10 minutes. Emergency medical service workers then arrived, placed the person on a stretcher and removed them from her property.

Nadiya did not hear the subject make any statements to the police nor did she hear the police give any orders or make any statements to the subject.

Nadiya said one of the bullets travelled through her home and came to rest in a wall in the front bedroom where her husband was sleeping. That projectile was previously documented and recovered by BCI agents.

Norman Marek and Sandy Pehotsky

Norman Marek (Marek) was a resident of 5233 Berkshire Drive, North Olmsted, Ohio. His residence was one house west of the shooting location at 5230 Douglas Drive.

Marek heard five or six gunshots fired in rapid succession but did not witness the shooting. It woke him from his sleep. When he got out of bed and looked out the windows on the north and east sides of his home, he saw police running between his yard and his neighbor to the north. He believed the gunshots he heard was from one person shooting. After the gunfire, Marek believed he heard someone say "stay down" or something similar. Marek also saw first responders pushing a stretcher along the side of his home to his backyard where they picked someone up and removed them from the scene. He could not see who was being carried out of the area on a stretcher.

Marek's girlfriend, Sandy Pehotsky (Pehotsky), was also home at the time of the shooting. Pehotsky had just fallen asleep around 0200 hours, when she woke to what sounded like gunshots. Pehotsky believed she heard five or six gunshots. After the gunshots she heard people outside and saw flashlights in the neighbor's backyard where people were gathered. Pehotsky could not make out what was being said outside or who was speaking but did hear someone yell "Hey, what's going on?" Another unknown voice responded to the question, "Get back in your house!" She saw someone rip down the neighbor's fence and then saw someone being taken out from the side yard on a stretcher.

Brenda Carnahan

Brenda Carnahan (Carnahan) was a resident of 28504 Alden Drive, North Olmsted, Ohio. His residence was two houses northwest of the shooting location at 5230 Douglas Drive.

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Carnahan heard three or four loud “boom, boom, boom” sounds coming from outside her home. Carnahan originally looked out the back of her home and did not see anything peculiar. When she went to the front door of her home about 15 seconds later, she saw a sharp light coming from the east. Shortly after that, the police knocked on her door and yelled for her to leave her home. Carnahan left her home in her car.

Carnahan provided SA Valente access to view her Ring video doorbell application to locate relevant video recordings. The application logged a record of motion alerts and missed doorbell rings. The application would allow the user to see a live feed of the doorbell camera but access to the video recordings was not permitted because her account was not active. Carnahan let SA Valente photograph her phone showing details of her Ring account and the log of activity earlier that morning.

Dennis Nelson

Dennis Nelson (Nelson) was a resident of 5205 Berkshire Drive, North Olmsted, Ohio. His residence was two houses northwest of the shooting location at 5230 Douglas Drive.

Nelson heard at least three or four gunshots fired in quick succession of each other. Upon hearing the gunshots, Nelson went outside and saw the fence along the back of his neighbor’s yard to the south was knocked down and police were pulling a man out through the yard toward the front of the home and street.

For additional information refer to the recorded neighborhood canvass videos stored in Reference Item A and the investigative reports titled *2023-11-04: Neighborhood Canvass* and *2023-11-28: Interview Conducted*.

Witness

██████████ was a subject involved in an altercation with Thomas Nock which led to the 911 calls for police on November 4, 2023. Prior to the arrival of police at ██████████ ██████████ was inside the residence with his uncle ██████████ ██████████ and Thomas Nock. At some point, ██████████ was shot, the residence was set on fire and ██████████ died. ██████████ remains a suspect in that investigation. ██████████ did not witness the officer involved shooting portion of the incident.

During the officer involved shooting incident, ██████████ was located near the North Olmsted Police Department, detained, and interviewed by NOPD Detective Jack Butcher. The images below depict the portion of Detective Butcher’s report specific to the interview of ██████████

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* [REDACTED] stated the following events occurred: [REDACTED] stated he was in his bed sleeping, located at [REDACTED]. He was staying at his grandmother's ([REDACTED]) was trying to sell the house and he was there to help pack it up. She was trying to get my uncle out of the house ([REDACTED]), he was stealing everything. [REDACTED] stated he was sleeping and he woke up. He (Thomas Nock) told me to get up, get dress and get his shoes on. He told me to go down stairs, he had a gun in his hands. He made me go downstairs and he had some drugs. He put some drugs in my hand, I don't even know what they were. He told me to do some of them and he made me go for a walk. We walked to North Olmsted Park. When we got there he made me strip down naked to make sure I wasn't wearing a wire. The whole time we were there he kept telling me all kind of weird things like he was talking in some type of code. The whole time we walking there, he threatened my family, he threatened his own family, he threatended my children, he threatened me. Made me do like wierd things, like push ups, take 4 steps back, 3 steps, like stupid stuff like that. Made me get rid of my phones. You know the park, I was hoping we were going to walk back to the house. And we half way back to the house, he didn't let me put my shoes back on, he didn't let me put my socks back on, he didn't let me put my shirt back on. He tried to get me to strip naked, in the front yard again, some random persons house and I wasn't going to do that. I wasn't going to strip naked again. So he hit twice with the pistol. We kept going, back up to the house and when we got back to my neighbors he tried to get me to strip naked again and he hit me because I wouldn't do it completely, I wouldn't get completely naked, he wanted me to like walk around the house while I was completely (naked). So he tried to get me to strip naked again, I pulled my pants to my ankles, he told me to take them completely off and I told him I wasn't going to do that and I tried to pull them up and he kinda like kicked them (with [REDACTED] doing the motion of a kick) and I fell to the ground. And he just kind of starting hitting me and I curled up into a ball. I pull my pants back up and I just took off running towards the back of the house. And he started chasing me and I went in thru the back door. I heard my uncle in the bathroom, so I opened the bathroom door, I told him to call 911 because Tommie was hitting me with his gun. My uncle said I wasn't go to call 911. I think I thought I was joking or something, I don't know. He was little confused, but he came out into the hallway to check on me to see I was alright. And then he seen Tommie, he started yelling and I heard gunshots, like probably 7,8, 9 of them. I didn't count em all, I was in my grandmother room. Just the bedroom across the hallway from where I woke up originally. I just stayed there really quiet. I heard my uncle make gargling, trying to say something. I heard Tommie kept calling for me. He kept trying to find me. And when I was for sure that I heard him downstairs in the basement. My grandmother's bedroom is attached to the bathroom the other door for the bathroom is right next to the front door. When I was sure he was in the basement I ran out the front door.

I tried to get the neighbors attention and the people across from them, or not across from them, but next to them. I rung the doorbell and I heard Tommie come out the back door. It's not that far away, he was still looking for me. I heard stuff like being thrown around, broken. At that point I didn't want anyone else to get hurt near me so I just kept running. I ran all the way down the street, I took a left and went all the way to Lorain. I crossed Lorain Road. My mom lives in that development where she works in a hospital at this time. I wanted to make sure she was going to be okay and I found someone all the way. They were in the driveway, I waived them down without trying to scare them. I told them to call 911 to check on my uncle, because I'm pretty, (starts to get emotional-then continues). I still don't know if he okay.

I went to my moms house, I kept knocking on the door for someone to answer and but nobody would. I was

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scared because at one point Tommie was talking about how he used to hunt when he was a little kid and shoot deer. And it's kind of made it feel like he was hunting me, I just kept running. I went to a few houses, I knocked, no one came to the front doors.

I asked [REDACTED] what street did his mom live on and he stated [REDACTED] I went out the back way. (During conversation with [REDACTED] describing the routes he took from his mom's development, it appears he may of took Windsor, to MacKenzie, Southern to possibly Decker. [REDACTED] stated he didn't cut through any yards, but stayed on the city streets.)

[REDACTED] stated he was coming down the street of Pizza Hut (Decker) and I seen somebody walking down Lorain Road and I was scared, I didn't know if it was him or not. So I came back, I came back toward Pizza Hut and hid behind Pizza Hut and I waited for the guy to keep walking. And I crossed the street, because I remembered I wanted to be somewhere like where a camera was. And then I went went into the development, not the development, the KIA place. I knew there were cameras, but the guy I seen him and is walking over there and it (unintelligible) wasn't sure if it was Tommie or not. And I seen like police cars shining there lights near the park. And I was going to walk towards them, but that made me think that maybe they didn't catch Tommie yet. So instead of walking toward you guys over there, I just crossed Lorain again to try to get to the police station. ([REDACTED] admitted he knew where the police station was located)

When I crossed Lorain Road I heard the cop like, I seen over there. But I was walking down Lorain, toward GetGo side. And there were these cones in front of me and I couldn't walk any further, so I crossed the street. That's when all the cops pulled up and found me, I was on the way to the police department.

During the interview I took a look at [REDACTED]'s hands. [REDACTED] stated the blood on his hands which came from cuts on above his eyes. (There were no obvious cuts or bruising on his hands.) [REDACTED] stated he kept trying to leave his handprint everywhere. Cause he was scared.

I asked [REDACTED] if he stayed at the address on [REDACTED] and he stated " not anymore". [REDACTED] stated he had been staying on [REDACTED] for the past couple of months and he claimed he was helping his grandmother pack, because she was planning to sell it.

I asked [REDACTED] who the other person he was talking about (Thomas Nock), and he stated supposedly he was my best friend. [REDACTED] stated Nock lived by himself on Claeshire and was going through a divorce.

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For additional information refer to the NOPD Incident report and the Investigative report titled 2024-03-12: Information Provided During the NOPD Interview of [REDACTED]

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Law Enforcement Witnesses

The following section contains an abbreviated version of the witness officer's observations and account of his or her actions pertaining to this incident.

Westlake Police Department [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] has been a police officer for approximately 8 years. He has been employed with WPD for almost one (1) year. On November 4, 2023, he was wearing his police uniform with an external vest. He considered himself to be well represented as a police officer during the incident.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] was part of a two-man unit with [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] in marked WPD cruiser # [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was the driver, and he was the passenger. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] s radio call sign was [REDACTED]. He had no prior encounters with the involved subject or the address where the incident occurred.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] was assigned a body worn camera (BWC), but he was not wearing it at the time of the incident. It was in a dock in the sergeant's office at WPD when the incident occurred. He did not have any other recording devices on his person.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] had reviewed the involved North Olmsted officer's BWC footage and his partner, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] s, BWC footage approximately five (5) times prior to the interview.

On November 4, 2023, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was in briefing at the WPD between 0100 hours and 0200 hours. While there, he heard North Olmsted officers being dispatched over the radio for an attempted murder. A male who was beaten up and bloody had gone to a neighbor's house saying someone was trying to kill his uncle. He and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] entered their cruiser and began driving to the location on [REDACTED] in North Olmsted. As they were getting closer, He heard two North Olmsted officers on the radio. One of the officers asked the other "did you hear that?" The other officer said "Yes. It sounded like a gunshot to me." As they arrived on [REDACTED] the officers were radioing there was smoke coming out of the house. He could see smoke billowing out into the street. A North Olmsted officer then radioed there was a male running out of the house and he was running west.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] looked at him and said, "Oh they're coming right towards us" (07:44). He could then hear twigs snapping and officers were yelling commands to stop. They exited their cruiser and made their way straight through a yard from their cruiser. He followed [REDACTED] [REDACTED] through the yard to a shed and a fence. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] took up the space between the shed and the fence and was focused on where the suspect and the

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North Olmsted officer were. At that time, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was unable to see where the suspect was, but could tell he was somewhere down in the brush because the North Olmsted Officer was communicating with the suspect.

While [REDACTED] [REDACTED] stood in the space between the shed and the fence, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] began moving to his right toward the shed. As he did, he heard the first gunshot. He was unsure if the suspect saw [REDACTED] [REDACTED] or had fired at the North Olmsted officer. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] then stumbled behind the shed and heard "a bunch more rounds go off" (09:43). It was dark, and he was unsure how many gunshots he heard or if the suspect was firing at them or the North Olmsted officer.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] then realized [REDACTED] [REDACTED] had not gone down. Initially, he thought the suspect was running, but he realized [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was still looking at the suspect. He also heard the North Olmsted officer say he had been hit. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] then repositioned to the other side of the shed and made his way through some brush to the North Olmsted officer. The officer told him he was shot in the arm and may have said he was shot in the chest too. The officer had already applied a tourniquet to his arm.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] moved to the front of a house with the injured officer. Another Westlake officer arrived and assessed the North Olmsted officer's injuries, while [REDACTED] [REDACTED] provided security. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] said he knew there was another involved subject somewhere, the house was fully engulfed in flames, and he could hear more gunshots going off in the area. Westlake officers then transported the North Olmsted officer to the hospital in a cruiser and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] returned to the scene of the shooting.

When he returned, the officers present were trying to determine exactly where the suspect was because he was down in some bushes. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] retrieved a shield, and the officers were able to move in, knock down the fence and get the suspect out of the bushes. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] then assisted in administering CPR to the suspect.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] explained after the first gunshot, there was a slight pause followed by numerous gunshots. He was unable to identify who was firing. He did not see either of the officers or the suspect firing. He believed the North Olmsted officer was on the other side of the shed because he could hear his voice, but he could not see him.

Regarding the additional gunshots heard while providing security for the injured officer, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] knew the gunshots were not coming from the area of the shed and the suspect. He said they were coming from the direction of the house fire and later suspected the sound of that gunfire was related to ammunition present in the house fire.

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While administering aid to the suspect, he saw a pistol on the ground near the suspect's feet. The suspect was also wearing a black mask over his face. He described it as a spandex or panty hose type of material.

When he heard the first gunshot he felt "Pretty helpless". He feared for the safety of all the officers present and the surrounding residents.

For additional information refer to the video recorded interview stored in Reference Item E and the investigative report titled *2023-11-20: Witness Officer Interview -*

[REDACTED]

[North Olmsted Officer Kyle Wilson](#)

Officer Wilson worked the midnight shift. Multiple attempts were made to schedule an interview with Officer Wilson via his cell phone number, but Officer Wilson never returned the calls or messages. Officer Wilson did complete a written report detailing his involvement and observations. His narrative report was on pages 9 and 10 of the .pdf file titled *2023-11-08 NOPD Incident Report* [REDACTED]

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NOPD dispatch received a call from an unknown female who resides at 5650 Park Ridge. This unknown female informed NOPD dispatch that a male, who was covered in blood, stated there was an attempted murder at his house (██████████). With the little information given at the time, I made my way to the house and staged my cruiser on ██████████ and Evergreen Dr, facing west. I exited my vehicle and deployed my cruiser rifle. As I kept eyes on the house until we gathered more information, Ptl. Wolcott made his way to the area of 5650 Park Ridge Dr to locate the possible victim. A short time later, ██████████ arrived on scene and staged his cruiser on ██████████ near Douglas Dr, facing east. ██████████ and I remained near our cruisers while keeping an eye on the house until further information was gathered. NOPD dispatch advised Westlake PD of the situation and asked for mutual aid. Other surrounding agencies also came to the scene for mutual aid.

At approximately 0144 hours, ██████████ and I heard what we believed to be a gun shot in the area of the house, ██████████. At this time, I advised NOPD dispatch and other units we thought we heard a gunshot in the area. As I tried to get a better view of the house, I could hear "crackling" noises coming from the house. It appeared to me at this time the house may possibly be on fire. At approximately 0146 hours, I observed a male run out of the front of the house and immediately into the backyard. Seeing the male run out of the house, I shouted to him I was the police and gave verbal commands for him to not move. Right after the male ran to the backyard, I could hear what sounded like a window being smashed. At this time, I radioed to Ptl. Wolcott to come to our location on ██████████. At approximately 0147 hours, I advised NOPD dispatch I believe the house at ██████████ was on fire.

After advising the house may be on fire, ██████████ got on the radio and said someone is running westbound on Berkshire Dr cutting through yards. Hearing this, I got back into my cruiser and drove west on ██████████ toward Berkshire Dr. While driving past ██████████, I was able to confirm it was on fire and relayed that to NOPD dispatch. NOPD dispatch advised NOFD to respond to the scene. At approximately 0148 hours, ██████████ got on the radio and advised he had the male suspect at gunpoint. Approximately 15 seconds later, as I was driving past the backyard of 5230 Douglas Dr, I heard approximately 30 gun shots going off. After hearing this, I quickly turned around and made my way into the backyard of 5230 Douglas Dr. A shots fired call could be heard over the radio. While walking north in the backyards of Douglas Dr with other officers from multiple agencies, I shouted "Where is ██████████ at?" ██████████ responded that he was over in the area of 5212 Douglas Dr. ██████████ also advised he was hit in the arm and applied a tourniquet. After seeing ██████████ was walking on his own accord, I asked him where the suspect was. I made my way over to ██████████ in the backyard of 5212 Douglas Dr and advised dispatch an officer was hit in the arm and a tourniquet was applied. ██████████ motioned to the southwest corner of the backyard and stated the suspect was in that area. Two Westlake PD officers escorted ██████████ to the front yard of 5212 Douglas Dr. They later drove ██████████ to St. John West Sore hospital (29000 Center Ridge Rd, Westlake, OH 44145). ██████████ shot rifle rounds at the suspect to the west, a Westlake PD officer shot rounds at the suspect to the north, and the suspect shot rounds at ██████████ to the east.

Now knowing where the suspect was at, I collocated with a Westlake PD officer in the backyard of 5230 Douglas Dr. The Westlake PD officer was facing north and had eyes on the suspect who was lying down in between a fence and tree while underneath some shrubs. It appeared the suspect had also been shot. The suspect could be seen moving slightly and was not talking. Police officers on scene kept eyes on the suspect,

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later identified as Thomas Nock, while we devised a plan to retrieve his firearm and start first aid. At approximately 0156 hours, Ptl. Wolcott and a Westlake PD officer went to the west side of the fence where Thomas was lying (backyard of 5219 Berkshire Dr). As the Westlake PD officer utilized a shield, he and Ptl. Wolcott approached Thomas. As other officers and I kept Thomas at gunpoint, Ptl. Wolcott kicked out two fence planks. At this time, Ptl. Wolcott was able to remove the firearm from Thomas' hand and pulled it toward his location. With the firearm away from Thomas, Ptl. Wolcott pushed down a section of the fence and pulled it toward him. Ptl. Wolcott and the Westlake PD officer pulled Thomas to the backyard of 5219 Berkshire Dr. Thomas had blood on his person and part of his jaw was missing. It appeared to officers on scene a bullet traveled through and through to the back of his head. Thomas was secured in handcuffs behind his back by Ptl. Robertson. Ptl. Ashenfelter began chest compressions on Thomas. I took over chest compressions from Ptl. Ashenfelter. Ptl. Robertson later relieved me from doing chest compressions and then a Westlake PD officer continued compressions until NOFD arrived on scene. NOFD continued first aid on Thomas and later transported him to Fairview General Hospital.

After NOFD transported Thomas to the hospital, I began to take photographs of the scene. Photographs were taken of the rifle casings from where [REDACTED] shot rounds in the backyard of 5212 Douglas Dr, the handgun casings from where the Westlake PD officer shot rounds in the backyard of 5230 Douglas Dr, the area where the suspect was lying between the fence and tree in the backyard of 5212 Douglas Dr, and the area where the suspect was moved to in the backyard of 5219 Berkshire Dr. Blood from the suspect was on the ground and on the fence. There were bullet fragments in a tree near where the suspect was lying. Bullet holes were located in the fence where the suspect was up against. Photographs were then taken of the suspect's firearm, knife, bloody hat, bloody glasses, bloody shoe, and phone. Blood was also located from [REDACTED] in the backyard of 5212 Douglas Dr, which was also photographed. BCI arrived on scene a short time later and began photographing the area. The BCI agent later collected all of the evidence before Sgt. Fioritto could scan the area with the FARO machine.

As officers were securing Thomas, NOFD and surrounding fire departments were working to put out the fire at [REDACTED]. Once the house was deemed safe to enter, an unknown deceased male was located inside the residence.

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For additional information refer to the NOPD incident report and the Investigative report titled 2024-03-12: Review of Officer Wilson's Narrative Report.

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Involved Law Enforcement Officers

BCI conducted a video recorded interview with one of the involved officers and reviewed his personnel file and training records. Included within this section are abbreviated versions of the involved officer's account of his or her actions pertaining to this incident and the discharging of his weapon.

Westlake Police Department [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] had been a police officer for approximately 11 years. He had been employed with WPD for almost one (1) year. On November 4, 2023, he was wearing his police uniform with an external vest. He considered himself to be well represented as a police officer during the incident.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] Interview

At approximately 0130 hours, while in the mid-shift briefing at the Westlake Police Department, he and his fellow officers heard a radio call for North Olmsted officers. The call was for a guy who was bloody, running around going to people's front doors and saying someone was trying to kill his uncle. Due to the location being close to their city limits and the nature of the call, they started responding as well.

While enroute, he heard officers radioing they heard gunshots coming from the residence on [REDACTED]. The North Olmsted officers also officially asked Westlake officers to respond for mutual aid.

When passing the intersection of Stearns Road and Lorain Road he observed a male walking. He checked to see if it was the bloody male walking around reporting his uncle was going to get killed. He determined the subject was not related and continued to the call.

As he drove west on the road where the house was [REDACTED], he had his cruiser window down. He could hear the North Olmsted officer giving verbal commands saying "Stop! Police!" and he could hear "them" running in the leaves. He stopped his cruiser, exited it, and began running toward the back yards where he could hear the commands coming from.

He made his way to a large tree and a fence line that appeared to separate two properties. He had his light on and saw the subject along the fence line who may have become stuck. He never saw the North Olmsted officer, but he believed the officer was to his [REDACTED] [REDACTED] s) right and behind some brush. As he neared the fence line, he recalled hearing the North Olmsted Officer giving commands, but he could not remember what exactly he was saying. When he was approximately 20 - 25 feet away from the subject, the subject fired at the officer. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] then returned fire.

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██████████ could see the subject, running from the police, was down against the fence. Although he could not see the subject's hands or the gun, the subject's back was against the fence. This led him to believe the subject was facing the North Olmsted Officer.

The first gunshot he heard came from the left, which led him to believe it was the subject firing either at him or at the North Olmsted officer. He already had his gun out and he immediately began firing at the subject.

██████████ did not know how many times the subject fired. When ██████████ fired, he knew his partner was somewhere close, but he did not recall any officers being in the immediate area where he was firing from. He fired from a standing position and his point of aim was the subject's body. He said it was dark, but he had light from his weapon mounted light.

██████████ further explained he fired because "He (the subject) shot at another officer" (34:30). When asked if he feared for the safety of the other officers, he replied "Yes, and mine, and everybody else there" (34:38). When asked why he would fear for their safety in that situation, ██████████ said,

Well given the set of circumstance and facts that we already had, and from the call, potential homicide, um, and guy actively fleeing from the police, um and not listening to verbal commands and ultimately firing at the officer, that led me to the decision to fire upon him (34:48).

██████████ said he did not believe he had any other option than to use deadly force and he believed his actions were consistent with his training.

After firing, ██████████ remained at his position. Other officers came up with a plan to break down the fence and get the subject out from the bushes. When officers broke down the fence and pulled the subject out, he saw the subject's gun under a portion of the broken-down fence. That was the first time he saw the subject's gun.

██████████ explained there was some time that elapsed between when the shots were fired and when the subject was removed from the brush. Even though he had stopped firing at the subject, the subject still posed a threat to them. He did not know if the subject was going to continue shooting at them and he did not know if his shots had struck the subject.

Once officers removed the subject from the brush, the officers immediately began evaluating his condition and administering medical aid. The fire department responded and transported the subject to the hospital.

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When asked how he was able to distinguish the gunfire he heard was coming from the subject and not the other officer, ██████ said,

So, as I'm looking at, down this fence line, I could hear the, the fire, like the gun fire from my left, the left from over here [Demonstrated location with his left hand] and so in my mind, I immediately distinguished that that was coming from the subject straight ahead and then returned fire came from my right and myself (39:21).

When asked if he fired because the North Olmsted officer was firing, he replied "No I fired because he shot at the officer" (40:46).

█████ did not recall having any previous encounters with the subject or the residence where the incident began.

For additional details refer to the video recorded interview stored in Reference Item E and the Investigative Report titled *2023-11-20: Involved Officer Interview - ██████*

█████ Employment and Training Records

Records regarding ██████'s employment as a police officer were received from the WPD. The records included performance evaluations, commendations, training records, employment records, and miscellaneous documents. No discipline related to use of force was located within the personnel file. In addition, ██████ received satisfactory performance evaluations.

Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission records indicated ██████ attended the Lorain County Community College Police Academy as part of class BAS10-075. ██████ took the state certification exam on 01/20/2011 and he received his certificate on 03/25/2011.

█████ began his law enforcement career with the Brecksville Police Department. He was employed there as a part-time officer from 03/25/2011 through 07/02/2012. He then served full-time with the North Ridgeville Police Department from 07/09/2012 to 12/22/2022 before joining the Westlake Police Department on 12/26/2022.

█████ completed numerous law enforcement related trainings to include the following courses directly related to this incident or the use of force:

- Judgmental Firearms Simulator (01/28/2014 to 01/30/2014)
- Arrest, Search, and Seizure (08/05/2015)
- Trooper Coates Killer Interview (11/17/2016)
- Darrel Lunsford Murder (11/17/2016)

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- Career Survival: Overall Job preparedness (11/21/2016)
- Effective Communications and Safe interactions with Persons in Crisis (06/03/2022)
- Mental Health Response (06/03/2022)
- Crisis Intervention (06/13/2022)
- BCI Lethal Use of Force and OIS Investigations (06/14/2022)
- Objective Reasonableness (06/14/2022)
- Use of Deadly Force and Legal Guidelines (06/22/2022)
- Critical Thinking in Use of Force Situations (07/20/2022)
- Arrest, Search, and Seizure 2023 (03/22/2023)
- Part 1-3 Legal Updates 2023 (06/04/2023 and 06/08/2023)

██████████ last qualified with his department issued Glock model 17, serial # ██████████ on May 10, 2023.

For additional details refer to the actual records and the Investigative Report titled *2024-03-11: Personnel and training file review of WPD Ofc. ██████████*

North Olmsted Police Department ██████████

11 years total; North Ridgeville Police as a patrolman started in July 2012 through December 2022. 1 year at Westlake

██████████ Interview

██████████ was a member of the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Union and represented by FOP Attorney Thomas Hanculak. On the day of the shooting incident Agents collected evidence from ██████████ and photographed his injuries. He was accompanied by Fraternal Order of Police Senior Staff Representative Lucy DiNardo and he declined to provide a statement at that time.

Attorney Hanculak was contacted numerous times throughout the investigation to determine if ██████████ would provide a statement regarding his perceptions at the time of the incident. Attorney Hanculak declined the invitation for an interview and indicated he and ██████████ did not see the need to provide a statement.

██████████ Employment and Training Records

Records regarding ██████████'s employment as a police officer were received from the NOPD. The records payroll records, department commendation, performance evaluations, training records, oath of office, employment application, and miscellaneous documents. No discipline related to use of force was located within the

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personnel file. In addition, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] received satisfactory performance evaluations.

Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission records indicated [REDACTED] [REDACTED] completed the Cuyahoga Community College West Campus Police Academy as part of class BAS21-063. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] took the state certification exam on 03/01/2022.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] began his law enforcement career with the North Olmsted Police Department on 08/17/2021. It appeared he attended the police academy as part of his employment.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] completed numerous law enforcement related trainings to include the following courses directly related to this incident or the use of force:

- Parts 1-3 Legal Updates 2023 (08/26/2023 & 08/27/2023)
- Arrest, Search, and Seizure 2023 (08/27/2023)
- Use of Body-Worn Cameras (08/28/2023)
- Effective Communication and Safe Interaction with Persons in Crisis (08/31/2023)
- Mental Health Response (08/31/2023)

On January 11, 2023, [REDACTED] completed firearms qualification with a Glock model 22, serial # [REDACTED] and a Mossberg shotgun model 590A1, serial # [REDACTED]

On May 17, 2023, [REDACTED] completed rifle firearm qualification. The record does not include specific information as to the make, model, or serial number of the rifle used.

For additional details refer to the actual records and the Investigative Report titled *2024-03-11: Personnel and training file review of NOPD [REDACTED] [REDACTED]*

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Subject Information – Thomas Nock

This section contains information about the involved subject, Thomas Nock.

Thomas Nock – Background, Computerized Criminal History

Background information for Nock was compiled and reviewed. It included researching past police reports involving Nock, criminal history records, court records, open/closed source database inquiries and social media posts.

Database Searches

A LexisNexis report was obtained and reviewed. Nothing relevant to the investigation was noted.

Social Media

Nock had no social media activity.

Computerized Criminal History:

Nock had no documented Computerized Criminal History.

Prior Law Enforcement Contacts

The North Olmsted Police Department (NOPD) provided all previous encounters the agency had with Nock. The NOPD provided police reports for 14 encounters the agency had with Nock before November 4, 2023. None of the encounters involved [REDACTED]

Ohio Law Enforcement Gateway (OHLEG) records indicated Nock had two prior encounters with law enforcement before the November 4, 2023, officer-involved shooting in North Olmsted.

North Olmsted Police Department

- **NOPD Incident 1628954** – On September 7, 2016, Nock's neighbors called police about the smell of marijuana coming from Nock's apartment. Nock then went to talk to the complainant and allegedly accused the complainant of harassing him [Nock].
- **Traffic Crash Report T73646** – On November 4, 2016, Nock was a witness to a traffic accident that occurred in North Olmsted.
- **NOPD Incident 1700160** – On January 2, 2017, Nock went to the police department to speak to a police officer about an ongoing issue with a neighbor.

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- **NOPD Incident 1714155** - On May 6, 2017, a male, Arlo Goodwin (Goodwin) reported to police that Nock had punched him [Goodwin].
- **NOPD Incident 1718508** - On June 12, 2017, a neighbor called police to complain that Nock was screaming at the caller's daughter and husband.
- **NOPD Citation N255898s** - On April 2, 2019, Nock received a citation for speeding.
- **NOPD Incident 22101459** - On March 6, 2021, Nock was arrested for felony OVI.
- **NOPD Incident 2119797** - On June 16, 2021, Nock's neighbor called the police stating that Nock was threatening the caller's husband.
- **NOPD Incident 2322453** - On June 14, 2023, police were called because someone had shot a gun or was setting off fireworks. Nock was associated with this incident.
- **NOPD Incident 2322575** - On June 15, 2023, a neighbor called police to report that Nock was fighting with a female.
- **NOPD Incident 2323912** - On June 24, 2023, Nock called the police requesting that the police do a welfare check on Nock's wife.
- **NOPD Report 23-37225** - On September 17, 2023, Nock called the police on a female that Nock was living with. Nock reported that this female was trying to stab Nock's dog. The female was arrested by NOPD for tampering with evidence and drug related offenses.
- **NOPD Incident 2341351** - On October 15, 2023, a neighbor of Nock's called the NOPD to report Nock's odd behavior. The neighbor said that Nock speeds through the neighborhood, blares music and screams.
- **NOPD Incident 2341855** - On October 18, 2023, one of Nock's neighbors called the NOPD to report Nock was playing loud music.
- **NOPD Report [REDACTED]** - This report documents NOPD involvement with Nock on November 4, 2023. This report was reviewed by SA Matthew Armstrong (Armstrong). Refer to SA Armstrong's report titled, *2024-03-12: Review of North Olmsted Police Incident Report* for further details.

Other Law Enforcement Agencies

- **Euclid Police Department** - On October 30, 2023, Officer Phillip Tschetter (Tschetter) ran Nock in OHLEG. The Euclid Police Department had nothing on file on Nock. SA Harasimchuk spoke with Officer Tschetter. Officer Tschetter stated that he [Officer Tschetter] is in the traffic unit and believes that he [Officer Tschetter] ran Nock in OHLEG due to a traffic violation but then never contacted Nock.

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- **Cleveland Division of Police Report 2023-332609** - On October 31, 2023, Nock's brother, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] called police and reported that Nock had assaulted him [REDACTED] after having a conversation about God. [REDACTED] did not prosecute Nock for this incident.

For additional details refer to the investigative report titled *2024-03-07: Records Received and Reviewed - CCH, Social Media, Prior LE Contacts*.

Nock Cell Phone Data

A search warrant was obtained for Matrix evidence Item #10, an Apple iPhone 13, Model A2482 which was recovered from the scene. Data stored on the device was extracted and reviewed.

The cell phone appeared to belong to Thomas Nock as the Apple ID associated with the device was `nock430@icloud.com` and the owner's name associated with it was Thomas Nock. Additionally, the device name was *Thomas's iPhone*.

It appeared Nock utilized various applications and social media accounts to include Instagram and Snap Chat. A username for Instagram was not identified. Usernames for Gmail and Snap Chat were identified they are included below:

- Gmail - `nock430@gmail.com`
- Snap Chat - user name "shtickyfingers Shoo"

Messages related to the sale of narcotics were observed. None of the messages in the days prior to the incident appeared to be related to the shooting incident. Based on the content of the messages observed, it appeared Nock abused illicit drugs. No anti-law enforcement content was observed.

Autopsy

This section contains information related to the post-mortem examination (autopsy) of Appleby.

Autopsy Report Reviewed

The autopsy report was authored by Dr. Thomas P. Gilson M.D. of the Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner's Office. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] " The report documented the following injuries:

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

For additional details refer to the actual autopsy report and the investigative report titled *2024-03-20: Nock, Thomas Autopsy Report Review*.

BCI Laboratory Analysis

Various items of potential evidence were submitted to the BCI Laboratory for analysis. The actual reports should be consulted as the following synopsis does not include many of the details from the full reports.

The following 37 items were submitted to the BCI Laboratory for analysis:

- Eight 9mm cartridge casings (Matrix Evidence Items #1 - #7 and #30)
- Semi Auto Pistol - Beretta APX .40 SN:A002240Y (Matrix Evidence Item 8)
- Twenty .223 cartridge casings (Matrix Evidence Items #14 - #26 and #31 - #37)
- Two 40 Caliber cartridge casings (Matrix Evidence Item #28 - #29)
- [REDACTED]'s Rifle - FN 15 SN:[REDACTED] with magazine and 7 .223 Cartridges (Matrix Evidence Item #40)
- [REDACTED]'s Semi Auto 9mm Pistol - Glock 17 SN:[REDACTED] with 3 Magazines and 44 Cartridges (Matrix Evidence Item #47)
- Fired projectile recovered from [REDACTED]'s Ballistic Vest (Matrix Evidence Item #44)
- Projectile from [REDACTED] - Nock (Matrix Evidence Item #52)
- Projectile from [REDACTED] - Nock (Matrix Evidence Item #53)
- Projectile Recovered from [REDACTED] - Nock (Matrix Evidence Item #54)

Forensic Scientist Dylan Matt completed the analysis. A review of his report revealed the following:

- Thomas Nock's (Nock) Beretta pistol (Matrix Item #8) fired the two submitted 40 S&W cartridge cases (Matrix Evidence Items #28 and #29) and one projectile

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(Matrix Evidence Item 44) recovered from [REDACTED] s
[REDACTED] ballistic vest.

- [REDACTED] s FN 5.56 Rifle (Matrix Evidence Item 40) fired twenty-one submitted .223 cartridge cases (Matrix Evidence Items #14 - #26 and #31 - #37) and one projectile (Matrix Evidence Item #54) recovered from [REDACTED] ([REDACTED] of Nock.
- [REDACTED] s [REDACTED] Glock pistol (Matrix Evidence Item #47) fired eight 9mm Luger cartridge cases (Matrix Evidence Items #1 - #7 and #30) and one projectile (Matrix Evidence Item #52) recovered from [REDACTED] [REDACTED] of Nock.

For additional details refer to the actual lab report and the investigative report titled *2024-01-24: Review of BCI Lab Report*.

Dispatch-Related Information

This section contains dispatch-related information associated with the incident. The information reviewed was obtained from the NOPD and the WPD.

Audio recorded Calls to Police

There were 21 audio files provided that contained recordings of calls with the dispatchers. Each call was reviewed and transcribed. There were 7 calls to police about the sound of gunshots in the area. There were four calls regarding the house fire. There were also numerous calls dispatch placed and or received from the fire department and other area agencies. The first call related to this incident was a 911 call on November 4, 2023, at 01:34:37 hours. The first call related to the house fire was at 01:51:10 hours. The transcription of those two calls has been included below:

November 4, 2023, 01:34:37 hours

File Name: 0_911_POS_2_2023_11_04_01_34_37_by_Start_Time.asc

Dispatch: 911 what's your emergency.

Caller: Hi, I have a man that just came up to my car and said that, um, men broke into his house and tried to rob him and tried to kidnap him and killed his uncle, so I'm calling for him.

Dispatch: Okay, where are you at right now?

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Caller: Um, I'm at my sister's house.
Caller Talking in background.

Caller: What is your address? The address that it happened.

Unknown Male: The address that it happened?

Caller: I'm on the phone with 911, 911 right now.

Unknown Male: I don't know if it's safe to go back there.

Caller: I'm on the phone with the police though.

Unknown Male: [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

Caller: [REDACTED]?

Unknown Male: Yeah.

Caller: It happened at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] in North Olmsted, Ohio.

Dispatch: That's where he is or that's where it happened?

Caller: Well, I'm on Park Ridge at my sister's house. He just came up to my car and asked me to call the police because they just killed his uncle, potentially killed his uncle. He's bleeding, he has multiple wounds to his head.

Unknown Male (In background) [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

Caller: He said go to [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

Dispatch: Okay, and you're on Park Ridge now?

Caller: Yeah, but he's walking to his mom's.

Dispatch: He's walking to the house?

Caller: To his mom's house. He's not going back to the house that it happened.

Dispatch: Okay, you tell him wait there. Did he give you his name or anything?

Caller: (Talking in background) What's your name?

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Caller: Hold on, my sister, he doesn't have shoes on. My sister is putting some socks on him.

Dispatch: Okay.

Caller: (Talking in Background) They want to know what your name is.

Male Voice: -Inaudible- I'll call them back.

Caller: He said he'll call you guys back, I guess.

Dispatch: Alright, ah, and where are you at on Park Ridge.

Caller: 5-6-5-0, but I don't live here, my sister lives here and I was about to leave. He just walked up to my car. He's running to his mom's house now. He said he's going to call you guys back.

Yelling in background What's the address?

Dispatch: Yeah, what's the address to his mom's house.

Caller: He's running, he just ran away but he had multiple wounds to his head, he's bleeding.

Dispatch: He is bleeding too?

Caller: Yes, he was bleeding. He said they came at them, they hit him with the -inaudible-.

Dispatch: (Broadcasting over the radio)- I need all North Olmsted cars to respond to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] possible attempted murder at this time. Still getting information, very sketchy. [REDACTED]

Dispatch: And he ran away from you?

Caller: Yes, he said he was going to his mom's house and he said he's going to call you when he gets there. He just walked up to my car. So, he had no shoes on, he had no shirt on, he just had pants on and he's bleeding everywhere, and he said they might of killed his uncle. They broke into his house,

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and he, I -inaudible- called 911 for him. He just ran to his mom's.

Dispatch

(Broadcasting over the radio)- North Olmsted cars be advised, a male approached the caller at 56-50 Park Ridge, states somebody is trying to kill his uncle. Apparently, the male is, had blood on him, he ran off. Unknown direction of travel, he said he was going to his mother's house. The incident, possibly at [REDACTED] the caller is at 56-50 Park Ridge, the male that had approached her ran off, after he told her this.

Caller:

He said he knows, or they know where his family lives and that's why he ran off, but he didn't tell me his mother's address.

Dispatch:

Okay, what did he look like.

Caller:

Um, he was a white male, short hair, short, like dirty blondish hair about 5-6. Um, he had tattoos on his, I think that was his right shoulder, I'm not sure what the tattoo was but he didn't have a shirt on. My sister put a hoodie on him and some socks.

Dispatch:

Okay.

Dispatch:

(Broadcasting over the radio) 10-4, 19. North Olmsted cars on three, white male, short haircut, had blood on him.

Caller:

He had on grey sweatpants.

Dispatch:

(Broadcasting over the radio)-Grey sweatpants. That's the person who ran off from the caller.

Dispatch:

Okay, yes, there should be an officer coming by there to talk to you soon.

Caller:

Okay, no problem.

Dispatch:

Do you see the officer.

Caller:

Let me call my sister because it's my sister's house.

Dispatch:

Are you outside or you inside?

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Caller: She's at her house, I left, I have to work in the morning, but she was outside.
Dispatch: But you're not there anymore or she's out there.
Caller: She's in the house now, I'm going to call her.
Dispatch: Yeah, have her come out there, talk to the officer.
Caller: Okay.

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File Name: 12_911_POS_1_2023_11_04_01_54_10_by_Start_Time_asc

Dispatch: 911, what is your emergency?
Unknown Caller: My neighbors' house is on fire.
Dispatch: Okay, do you know what the address is?
Unknown Caller: Um, my address is 5-2-2-0 Evergreen Drive and it's the house directly behind my house, on the corner.
Dispatch: Okay, I believe we have people responding already.
Unknown Caller: Okay, thank you so much.
Dispatch: Alright, buh-bye.
Unknown Caller: Bye.

Audio Recorded Police Radio Traffic

It appeared the NOPD and WPD use the same radio channel. There was a total of 144 recorded radio transmissions provided by the NOPD and the WPD.

01:36:46

Dispatch: I need all North Olmsted cars to respond to [REDACTED] possible attempted murder at this time. Still getting information, very sketchy. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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Officer Wilson: 19.

Officer Wolcott: 14.

01:37:31

Dispatch: North Olmsted cars be advised, a male approached the caller at 56-50 Park Ridge, states somebody is trying to kill his uncle. Apparently, the male is, had blood on him, he ran off. Unknown direction of travel, he said he was going to his mother's house. The incident, possibly at [REDACTED] the caller is at 56-50 Park Ridge, the male that had approached her ran off, after he told her this.

Westlake 01:38:10

Officer Wilson: 19 copy, sounds like [REDACTED]

Westlake 01:39:49

Officer Wilson: 52-19 can I get the numbers again. I believe it's going to be the house, ah, [REDACTED] s residence.

Dispatch: 1 0-4, [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

01:38:39

Officer Wolcott: 214 to 19, if you want to go over to [REDACTED] I'll head over to Park Ridge, see if I see anybody.

Officer Wilson: Copy, 19 dispatch, I'm out at [REDACTED]

Dispatch: 10-4, 19. North Olmsted cars on three, white male, short haircut, had blood on him, grey sweatpants. That's the person who ran off from the caller.

01:39:22

Officer Wolcott: 14, I'm in the area of Park Ridge.

Dispatch: 10-4, 14.

01:39:49

Dispatch: 52-14.

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Officer Wolcott: 14.

Unknown: -Inaudible- myself and 28 in the area.

Dispatch: 10-4.

01:40:31

Unknown: North Olmsted units, I'm at ah, Evergreen, and [REDACTED]

01:40:51

Unknown: You out with somebody?

Unknown: Negative, just in case they came down Berkshire.

01:41:07

[REDACTED] 2-[REDACTED] I'm in the area.

01:41:13

Dispatch: 10-4, [REDACTED] North Olmsted cars be advised the caller hung up. Apparently, the sister is going to go out and talk to you 14. Do you have anybody there?

01:41:26

Officer Wilson: 19 to 14, I'm just going to hold on the house until you can get some more info from the caller.

Officer Wolcott: 10-4.

01:41:38

Officer Wolcott: 14 on three, I'm just checking the area, I'll go back to the house in a minute. You wanna see if Westlake is available with their drone?

Dispatch: 10:4.

01:41:53

Dispatch: North Olmsted to Westlake.

Dispatch (Westlake): North Olmsted, go ahead.

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Dispatch: If you have two units available for mutual aid. The address is [REDACTED] [REDACTED] we got a report of a possible attempted murder, unknown if it is true or not. If you could stage an area until we get set up. [REDACTED]

Dispatch (Westlake): They're enroute.

Dispatch: 10-4, thanks.

01:42:48

757: 7-5-7 to North Olmsted. Be advised we'll be responding with drone if you need it.

Dispatch: 10-4, thank you.

01:44:12

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] 7-92, do we have a description at all.

01:44:38

Dispatch (Westlake): Westlake to North Olmsted, do you have a description of the male?

Dispatch: Only description was a white male, short hair, wearing grey sweatpants, he had some blood on him.

Unknown: Did you hear that noise, who's ever down there.

Unknown: Yeah, did you hear it too?

Unknown: Oh yeah, what did that sound like to you?

Unknown: Sounded like a gunshot, I can't tell if it came from that house or somewhere further north.

01:45:31

Officer Wilson: 52-19 be advised, it sounded like a gunshot in the area.

Dispatch: Copy, 52-19.

01:45:43

Dispatch: 52-14 on three, talked to the caller, she's already left the scene. Apparently, she can't get ahold of her sister to come

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outside to speak with you. She did say the sister is still home.

Officer Wolcott: 10-4.

Westlake 01:46:17

██████████ ██████████ ██████████ in the area.

Dispatch: Copy.

Unknown: Sounds like there's some noise in the backyard.

S11: S-11 is in the area. Where do you want us staged North Olmsted.

Unknown: 19, do you see all that smoke coming out of the front door.

Unknown: 14, why don't you get here.

01:46:26

Unknown: -Inaudible- on three, -inaudible-.

Dispatch: 10-4.

Westlake 01:47:06

757: 7-57 North Olmsted, I'm going to deploy the drone from Berkshire and Alden.

Unknown: Hey...this house might be on fire. ██████████ can you see flames?

Unknown: Somebody is running westbound around Berkshire cutting through yards.

Unknown: It's going to be ██████████

01:47:43

S11: S-11, I got less lethal here.

01:47:43

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Sergeant Dombek: 2-16 on three.

01:47:55

Dispatch: North Olmsted cars on scene on [REDACTED] Do you need the fire department down there. You stated, it appeared to be on fire.

Sergeant Dombek: 2-16 on three, I'm in the area. Start fire down here.

Dispatch: 10-4.

01:48:04

Unknown: Yeah, active fire, active fire inside the house.

01:48:16

Unknown: I got him at gunpoint.

Unknown: Where are you?

Unknown: -Inaudible- Berkshire making my way.

Unknown: We got shots fired.

Unknown: Shots fired.

01:48:35

Unknown: -Inaudible- We got shots fired.

01:48:46

Dispatch: Copy, shots fired from -Inaudible-.

01:48:51

Unknown: -Inaudible-.

Unknown: Shots fired.

01:49:13

Sergeant Dombek: 2-16 start fire, squad.

Dispatch: 10-4, starting a squad. Do you need fire down there also. Is the house on fire?

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01:49:36

Sergeant Dombek: Unknown, just start to head them this way. We have shots fired as well -inaudible-.

Dispatch: Copy 16.

01:49:52

S11: S-11 Roll a squad, roll a squad.

01:49:58

Unknown: -Inaudible-.

Unknown: Tourniquet applied.

Unknown: All units, we got one hit in the arm. I'll be bringing him out in front of an address, I'll give it to you in one second.

Dispatch: 10-4.

Unknown: He's out in front of 5-2-1-2.

01:50:05

Unknown: The scene is not safe.

01:50:43

Unknown: Is the subject still on the run?

Unknown: Suspect appears down, barely moving.

Unknown: 10-4.

01:51:46

Unknown: Anybody got a shield?

01:52:00

326: 3-26, just for the record. I'm sending a few cars down there to assist, if you don't need us, we'll head back.

Dispatch: 10-4, 3-26, I think we can use the assistance, thank you.

01:52:14

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Unknown: Do we have a unit on Douglas.

Unknown: We're right at the intersection of Douglas.

01:52:31

766: 7-66, I wanna self-transport this guy that's hit. He's stable, we can get him to Saint Johns.

Unknown: Alright, I'm coming to you.

01:52:46

645: 6-45 to 26 are you still on three?

26: Yeah, go ahead.

345: I'm right at the boarder -inaudible- that way too.

Unknown: -Inaudible- got him at gunpoint (Possible double traffic) -inaudible-.

Unknown: Repeat that for me -inaudible-.

345: I'm right at the border, do you want me to head that way?

Unknown: Yeah, I want you and -inaudible- to head down this way.

345: 10-4, enroute. Station, do you copy?

Dispatch: Copy.

Unknown: -Inaudible- I'm clear of that traffic stop, I'll be heading that way.

Westlake 01:52:52

Unknown: Do we have a suspect down?

Unknown: Suspect's down, we got him at gunpoint. Can't see any hands.

01:53:38

7100: 7-100.

Dispatch: 100, go ahead.

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7100: I'm transporting the wounded to Saint Johns.

Dispatch: Copy.

Lieutenant Woehrman: 52-17, I'll be on scene.

Dispatch: 10-4.

Unknown: River to North Olmsted, I have two heading your way.
Douglas and Alden.

01:54:34

Westcom: North Olmsted dispatch from Westcom.

Dispatch: Go ahead, Westcom.

Westcom: Just wanted to advise you we've been monitoring your P.D.
traffic and we notified Saint John's E.R. that they got a, ah,
officer enroute to the hospital.

Dispatch: 10-4, Westcom.

Dispatch: North Olmsted dispatch to North Olmsted fire units.

Squad 52: 5-2, go.

Dispatch: 5-2 and other units, we have a confirmed structure fire at
that address. Unknown how large the fire is. We have an
officer taking the wounded man to Saint John Westshore at
this time, unknow if there are more wounded.

Squad 52: Officers taking patient to the hospital. What was the last
part please?

Dispatch: Unknown if there is any other wounded at this time, still
accessing the situation.

Squad 52: Copy, 5-2 will be en route to that location.

Dispatch: 10-4.

01:54:46

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711: 7-11, let Saint John's know what I'm coming in with.

Dispatch: Copy.
01:56:24

Unknown: S-11 is there anybody at the house? I keep hearing pops like there's gunfire still.
01:56:35

Lieutenant Woehrman: 52-17 to station, myself and 16 are checking some gunshots we hear over by [REDACTED] and Douglas.

Dispatch: 10-4, 17.
01:57:51

Officer Wolcott: 52-14, we have access to this male now if you wanna send fire back here.
01:58:04

Officer Wolcott: 52-14, we have access to this male now if you wanna send fire back here.

Dispatch: 10-4, 14.

S11: S-11 they're behind 5-2-1-9 Berkshire. 5-2-1-9 Berkshire.
01:58:44

Dispatch: 52-14 Just to clarify, you need a medic in your location, correct?

Officer Wolcott: That's correct, we're starting CPR.

Dispatch: 10-4, you're at the Alden residence, correct?

Officer Wolcott: That is not correct, we're going to be in the backyard off of Berkshire.

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Unknown: 52-19 Berkshire is where 52-14 is.

Dispatch: Alright, 10-4

552: 5-52, I'm out.

555: 55, same.

347: 3-47 I'm out.

Dispatch: Copy.

01:59:22

Dispatch: Dispatch to Medic 52.

Medic 52: 52 is on scene, it looks like it's fully engulfed structure,
-inaudible-

Dispatch: 52, I need you to respond to 52-19 Berkshire, we have
another victim down, CPR in progress. 5-2-1-9 Berkshire.
CPR in progress, another victim down.

North Olmsted Police Department CAD Report

The NOPD CAD Report [REDACTED] documented times and personnel assigned to the call. The call was initiated on November 4, 2023, at 01:39:21 hours. The call type was entered as "Suspicious Circumstance". The report also contained an annotated log of transmitted radio traffic. It should be noted that the timestamps assigned to the logged radio transmissions are not timestamps of the actual radio transmission, rather the time the dispatcher typed the text of the transmission into the CAD system.

Westlake Police Department CAD Report

The NOPD CAD Report [REDACTED] documented times and personnel assigned to the call. The call was initiated on November 4, 2023, at 01:42:41 hours. The call type was entered as "Mutual Aid". The report also contained an annotated log of transmitted radio traffic. It should be noted that the timestamps assigned to the logged radio transmissions are not timestamps of the actual radio transmission, rather the time the dispatcher typed the text of the transmission into the CAD system.

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For additional information refer to the recorded calls, radio traffic, and CAD reports stored in Reference Item G and the investigative report titled *2024-03-18 Dispatch Records, 911 Calls and Radio Traffic Review*.

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Video Recordings

A video review was completed on all the video footage collected throughout the investigation. This included a review of video recordings captured from surveillance cameras, a drone, WPD dash cameras, and body worn camera (BWC) video files from numerous officers.

Involved Officer's Body Worn Camera Recordings

██████████ BWC - ██████████ *Bodycam Media*

This video file was 14 minutes and 33 seconds in length. The date and time stamp in the upper right corner at the start of the video was 11/04/2023 01:43:36. The first 30 seconds of the video did not have an audio component.

The video began with ██████████ ██████████ at the passenger side of his cruiser. His cruiser appeared to be parked on ██████████ west of ██████████. The BWC captured what appeared to be the initial fire before ██████████ became fully engulfed (██████████ BWC - Image 1).

At 01:44:40, a percussion sound was captured. ██████████ ██████████ who sounded as though he was transmitting on his radio said the following:

01:44:42 - "Did you just hear that?"

01:45:00 - "Yeah, did you hear it too?"

01:45:12 - "Sounded like gunshot. I can't tell if it came from that house or somewhere further uhh north."

01:46:40 - "Hey, 19. You see all that smoke coming out the front door?"

As ██████████ ██████████ finished the statement, it sounded like a cartridge was chambered into his firearm. A male voice can be heard yelling in the distance, but the statement was unintelligible on ██████████ ██████████'s BWC video.

At 01:46:54, ██████████ ██████████ began running away from his cruiser in what appeared to be a northly direction. It appeared he ran along the west side of 28480 Alden Drive. As he reached the back yard of the residence, it appeared he slowed down, momentarily turned on a flashlight, and then began running again.

At 01:47:15, ██████████ ██████████ said "Hey I just think I saw someone running west, There's someone running. Someone's running west bound. Someone's running west bound. We're on Berkshire cutting through yards." ██████████ ██████████ likely mistakenly said Berkshire when he was actually on Douglas Drive).

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At 01:47:25, ██████████ ██████████ began running across a sidewalk and then a residential street which appeared to be Douglas Drive. ██████████ ██████████ appeared to be carrying a rifle style firearm as he ran across the street. As he ran along the north side of 5212 Douglas Drive, he yelled "Police Stop! Police Stop!" As he neared the backyard, he again yelled "Police Stop! Police Stop! Do not move! I said stop! Police Stop! He made his way to a hedge of shrubbery and a white fence at what appeared to be the southwest corner of 5212 and the northwest corner of 5230 Douglas Drive.

At 01:47:52, ██████████ ██████████ stopped running and said, "Police stop it." The following exchange took place:

Thomas Nock - "I'm clear. I'm clear. I'm clear"

██████████ ██████████ - "Do not move!"

Thomas Nock - "I'm stuck."

██████████ ██████████ - "I know you're stuck."

Thomas Nock - "Hold on. Hold on."

██████████ ██████████ - "Don't, don't move."

Thomas Nock - "I'm not moving. I'm not moving."

██████████ ██████████ - "You're moving! Stop moving!"

Thomas Nock - "I'm not moving."

██████████ ██████████ - "Stay right where you are!"

Thomas Nock - "Ok. Ok. Ok." At this moment (01:48:13) a right hand with a blue glove raised out of the bushes in a manner consistent with surrendering ██████████ ██████████ *BWC - Image 2*). It remained visible for less than a second and then lowered back into the bush.

██████████ ██████████ - "I got him at gun point."

Unidentified male voice - "Right here."

██████████ ██████████ - He's in the, he's stuck in the bushes right here

Thomas Nock - "Help me."

Unidentified male voice - "Unintelligible...probably want to circle around this thing."

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At 01:48:29, the first gunshot was heard [REDACTED] BWC - Image 3). [REDACTED] screamed and appeared to fire his weapon multiple times. During the actual shooting, the image in the video was dark and blurry. A total of 4 separate cartridge cases were depicted traveling through the air [REDACTED] BWC - Image 4, image 5, Image 6 and Image 7). Each cartridge case was visible in multiple frames of the video.

At 01:48:39, [REDACTED] yelled "Ohh Fuck! Shots fired! Shots fired! I'm hit. I'm hit!"

At 01:48:53, [REDACTED] again said "Shots fired. I'm hit." It appeared he began applying a tourniquet on himself. He then began yelling at other officers, "I'm over here! I'm over here!"

At 01:49:42, [REDACTED] said "I'm right here. I'm right here. I'm, I'm hit in the arm. I put my tourniquet on."

Other officers helped walk [REDACTED] out onto the street. As they were walking, [REDACTED] said "I got hit in the vest too."

Another officer asked [REDACTED] if his rifle was loaded. At 01:51:25, [REDACTED] said: "Yea I was locked and loaded running after him. I don't know how many rounds are left in the cha, in the, the mag. As soon as he hit me, I just started laying rounds."

[REDACTED] entered the front passenger seat of a cruiser and was driven to St. John Westshore Hospital by a Westlake officer. Another officer rode in the back seat of the cruiser during the transport.

At 01:53:23 as they drove away from the scene, one of the officers said, "Fuck they're still shooting." [REDACTED] replied saying "He wouldn't fucking show me his hands."

[REDACTED] BWC - Video Recall_- Axon Body 3 Video 2023-11-04_0126_X60A6850C

This video file was 24 minutes and 07 seconds in length. The date and time stamp in the upper right corner at the start of the video was 2023-11-04 01:26:45. The video did not have an audio component. During the first 12 minutes, the camera appeared to be positioned on the driver's door of the cruiser, which was unoccupied.

At 01:38:49, the driver's door began to open. Two officers entered the cruiser. The driver could be identified as Westlake Police [REDACTED] and the passenger could be identified as Westlake [REDACTED]

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At 01:41:56, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] picked up the BWC and affixed it himself.

At 01:47:00, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] placed the cruiser in park and rolled up the driver's window. He then placed the cruiser back in drive and moved forward before placing the cruiser back in park and exiting it at 01:47:40.

The cruiser appeared to be parked on [REDACTED] near the rear yard of 5230 Douglas Drive. As [REDACTED] [REDACTED] moved north into the backyard of 5230 Douglas Drive, he had his pistol in his left hand [REDACTED] [REDACTED] BWC - Image 8). He continued north between a picket style fence and a light-colored shed [REDACTED] [REDACTED] BWC - Image 9).

At 01:48:16, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] appeared to use the light mounted on his pistol to illuminate the area of bushes along the fence. What appeared to be another officer (likely [REDACTED] [REDACTED] with a light was captured on the right side of the camera view ([REDACTED] [REDACTED] BWC - Image 10 and Image 11).

At 01:48:30, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] moved his right hand, which was also holding a flashlight, up to his gun [REDACTED] [REDACTED] BWC - Image 12). As he did so, the silhouette of another officer (likely [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was captured on the upper right portion of the camera view. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] moved backward, and it appeared he was firing his pistol due to the sudden presence of particles captured in the light emitted from his flashlight [REDACTED] [REDACTED] BWC - Image 13).

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] moved backwards and then moved to his left behind a fence. At that time, the video ended.

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Images



██████████ BWC - Image 1
(██████████ in the distance)

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██████████ BWC - Image 2
(Right hand with blue glove raised out of bush)

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██████████ BWC - Image 3
(View when first gunshot was heard)

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██████████ BWC - Image 4
(First visible cartridge case)

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██████████ BWC - Image 5
(Second visible cartridge case)

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██████████ BWC - Image 6
(Third visible cartridge case)

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██████████ BWC - Image 7
(Fourth visible cartridge case)

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██████████ BWC - Image 8
(██████████ s pistol in his left hand)

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██████████ BWC - Image 9

██████████ moving to his position between the fence [left] and the shed [right])

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██████████ ██████████ BWC - Image 10
(Another officer [likely ██████████ ██████████] with a light)

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██████████ BWC - Image 11
(Another officer [likely ██████████ with a light on)

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██████████ BWC - Image 12

██████████ moved right hand to his gun and silhouette of another officer - likely
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██████████ BWC - Image 13
(Particles captured when ██████████ appeared to be firing his pistol)

North Olmsted Witness Officer Body worn Camera Recording

Officer Wilson BWC - 00_1d_96_1f_15_ec-0008155166_0008292811_0008296160_video0

This video file was 27 minutes and 54 seconds in length. The date and time stamp in the upper right corner at the start of the video was 11/04/2023 01:39:47. The first 30 seconds of the video did not have an audio component. Officer Wilson was not present at the precise location of the shooting. Therefore, the video did not visually capture the shooting incident. It did audibly record the sound of the shooting.

The video began with Officer Wilson outside his cruiser. He had retrieved his rifle and appeared to chamber a cartridge into the chamber. His cruiser was parked on ██████████ and appeared to be facing west. At 01:40:29, he radioed his location as Evergreen Drive and ██████████

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At 01:44:55, Officer Wilson radioed, "hey did you hear that noise whoever's down there? The discussion, previously documented on [REDACTED] [REDACTED] s BWC video, then occurred. Officer Wilson then radioed [REDACTED] Be advised, it sounded like a gunshot in the area."

Officer Wilson then moved into the south side yard of 5220 Evergreen Drive. It was one residence east of [REDACTED]

At 01:46:26, Officer Wilson radioed that there was some noise coming from the backyard.

At 01:46:39, the silhouette of a subject can be seen moving across the lighting (likely the fire) emitted from [REDACTED] (*Officer Wilson BWC - Image 14*). The subject moved from left to right as he moved out of view.

At 01:46:42, Officer Wilson began yelling "Hey! Police! Don't Move! Police Don't Move!" At the same time, an officer can be heard saying on the radio "[Unintelligible] smoke coming out the front door?"

Officer Wilson then radioed "Hey, this house might be on fire. [REDACTED] can you see flames?"

At 01:47:23, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] radioed "Someone's running westbound. We're on Berkshire cutting through yards."

Officer Wilson then ran to his cruiser, entered it, and drove west on [REDACTED]

At 01:48:16, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] radioed "Got him at gunpoint." Officer Wilson radioed "Where are you?" as his cruiser came to a stop. Another male voice then said, "Where the fuck's he at?" Officer Wilson then sped off.

At 01:48:28, while Officer Wilson drove in his cruiser, a series of gunshots could be heard. Officer Willson parked, exited his cruiser, and made his way to the area of the shed where the shooting occurred.

Officer Wilson then assisted other officers in retrieving the involved subject from the bushes. The officers then administered CPR and EMS personnel arrived. Officer Wilson then left the scene to retrieve a camera and the video concluded.

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Officer Wilson BWC - Image 14

(Silhouette of subject moving across the lighting [likely the fire] at [REDACTED])

Westlake Body Worn Camera Recordings

The following table contains information related to the various body worn camera views from officers who responded to the area but were not present at the scene where the shots were fired.

<p>Axon Body 3 Video 2023-11-04 0147 X60A6571A -At 00:59, multiple gunshots were heard being fired. Officers were observed evacuating residents nearby where the incident occurred. No further video was relevant to the OIS incident.</p>	<p>Patrolman John Hannewald (098)</p>
<p>Axon Body 3 Video 2023-11-04 0147 X60A67629</p>	<p>Patrolman Jeremiah Bullins (57)</p>

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<p><i>-At 01:23, multiple gunshots were heard being fired. No further video was relevant to the OIS incident.</i></p>	
<p>Axon Body 3 Video 2023-11-04 0148 X60A6044A <i>-At 04:32, Officer Craig ran over to the marked police cruiser where the injured ██████████ ██████████ was sitting. Officer Craig got into the back seat of the police cruiser to ride along with ██████████ ██████████ and Officer McArthur to the St. John's Hospital. No further video was relevant to the OIS incident.</i></p>	<p>Patrolman Matthew Craig (66)</p>
<p>Axon Body 3 Video 2023-11-04 0148 X60A68579 <i>-See narrative and photos below for further details.</i></p>	<p>Patrolman Andrew Posante (88)</p>
<p>Axon Body 3 Video 2023-11-04 0149 X60A67429 <i>-See narrative and photos below for further details.</i></p>	<p>Patrolman Charles McArthur (100)</p>
<p>Axon Body 3 Video 2023-11-04 0150 X60A6850C <i>-See narrative and photos below for further details.</i></p>	<p>██████████ ██████████ ██████████</p>
<p>Axon Body 3 Video 2023-11-04 0242 X60A6571A <i>-At the start of the video, officers were observed taking ██████████ ██████████, the nephew of ██████████ into custody. - At 01:30, ██████████ stated that Thomas Nock shot his uncle, ██████████. No further video was relevant to the OIS incident. For further details pertaining to the homicide and arson investigation, please refer to this video.</i></p>	<p>Patrolman John Hannewald (098)</p>
<p>Axon Body 3 Video 2023-11-04 0242 X60A67429 <i>- At the start of the video, officers were observed taking ██████████ the nephew of ██████████ into custody. -No further video was relevant to the OIS incident.</i></p>	<p>Patrolman Charles McArthur (100)</p>
<p>Axon Body 3 Video 2023-11-04 0243 X60A67629</p>	<p>Patrolman Jeremiah Bullins (57)</p>

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- At the start of the video, officers were observed taking [REDACTED] the nephew of [REDACTED] into custody. -No further video was relevant to the OIS incident.	
Axon Body 3 Video 2023-11-04 0249 X60A6044A -At the start of the video, officers recovered a jacket containing two cell phones. No further video was relevant to the OIS incident.	Patrolman Matthew Craig (66)
Axon Body 3 Video 2023-11-04 0306 X60A67629 -Neighborhood canvass advising residents to stay in their residence due to the incident. No further video was relevant to the OIS incident.	Patrolman Jeremiah Bullins (57)
OIS_NO-3 -See narrative and photos below for further details.	Sergeant Joshua Frey (S11)

Axon Body 3 Video 2023-11-04 0148 X60A68579

Westlake Police Officer Andrew Posante

At 00:43, while Officer Posante was driving in his police cruiser to respond to the incident, an officer is heard over the dispatch radio saying, "shots fired." While on scene, Officer Posante carried a ballistic shield as he and other officers approached Nock, who was lying in between a fence and bushes. Officer Posante assisted with removing the fence.

At 09:44, after the fence was removed, Nock was observed lying on the ground (Image #3). Immediately thereafter, Nock was pulled out from the fence line.

At 10:04, after Nock was pulled out from the fence line (Image #4), Officers began to secure him and requested EMS to arrive for emergency medical treatment. After Nock was secured, Officers began CPR on him until medics arrived. No further video was relevant to the OIS incident.

Axon Body 3 Video 2023-11-04 0149 X60A67429

Westlake Police Officer Charles McArthur

At 00:52, Officer McArthur is approached by [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] is heard saying, "I got hit...I got hit in the vest too."

At 01:04, Officer McArthur tends to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] s wound (Image #5). Officer McArthur proceeded to check under the vest of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] to make sure another
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round did not penetrate through the vest. Shortly thereafter, Officer McArthur, along with Officer Craig, transported [REDACTED] [REDACTED] to St. John's Hospital for further emergency medical treatment.

Axon Body 3 Video 2023-11-04 0150 X60A6850C

Westlake Police [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

At 01:14, Nock was observed lying in between a fence and bushes (Image #6). Another officer was heard asking [REDACTED] [REDACTED] if he was able to see Nock, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] stated, "Yep." When [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was asked if he was moving, he replied, "*he's been moving a little bit, I don't know if it's last breaths or what.*"

At 08:29, after Nock was removed from the fence line, an Officer was observed performing CPR on him (Image #7). No further video was relevant to this incident.

OIS_NO-3

Westlake Police Sergeant Joshua Frey (S11)

At 13:20, Sergeant Frey was assisting other officers with the evacuation of residents behind the residence where the structural fire was (Image #8). No further video was relevant to the OIS incident.

Images

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Image #8

Westlake Police Dash Camera Video Recordings

<p>OIS_NO <i>-At 00:59, multiple gunshots were heard being fired. Officers were observed evacuating residents nearby where the incident occurred. No further video was relevant to the OIS incident.</i></p>	<p>Sergeant Joshua Frey (S11)</p>
<p>OIS_NO-2 <i>-At 01:23, multiple gunshots were heard being fired. No further video was relevant to the OIS incident.</i></p>	<p>Sergeant Joshua Frey (S11)</p>

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<p>Axon Fleet 3 Front Camera Video 2023-11-04 0148 X684D23C3</p> <p><i>-At 00:43, an officer was heard saying shots fired over the police radio. No further video was relevant to the OIS incident.</i></p>	<p>Patrolman Andrew Posante (88)</p>
<p>Axon Fleet 3 Interior Camera Video 2023-11-04 0148 X694G2DCP</p> <p><i>-At 00:43, an officer was heard saying shots fired over the police radio. No further video was relevant to the OIS incident.</i></p>	<p>Patrolman Andrew Posante (88)</p>
<p>Axon Fleet 3 Interior Camera Video 2023-11-04 0246 X694G2DCP</p> <p><i>-See below for further details</i></p>	<p>Patrolman Andrew Posante (88)</p>
<p>Axon Fleet 3 Front Camera Video 2023-11-04 0153 X685223JL</p> <p><i>-At the start of the video, this footage showed the marked patrol vehicle driven by Officer McArthur, driving ██████████ to St. John's Hospital. No further video was relevant to the OIS investigation.</i></p>	<p>Patrolman Charles MacArthur (100)</p>
<p>Axon Fleet 3 Interior Camera Video 2023-11-04 0153 X6952235C</p> <p><i>-At the start of the video, Officer Matthew Craig was sitting in the back seat of the marked cruiser as Officer McArthur was driving ██████████ to the St. John's Hospital. No further video was relevant to the investigation.</i></p>	<p>Patrolman Charles MacArthur (100)</p>
<p>Axon Fleet 3 Front Camera Video 2023-11-04 0242 X685223JL</p> <p><i>-At the start of the video, the marked patrol vehicle driven by Officer McArthur arrived in the area where ██████████ was taken into custody for questioning and medical treatment. No further video was relevant to the OIS investigation.</i></p>	<p>Patrolman Charles MacArthur (100)</p>

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<p>Axon Fleet 3 Interior Camera Video 2023-11-04 0242 X6952235C -This video showed the back seat of the marked patrol vehicle driven by Officer McArthur. No further video was relevant to the OIS incident.</p>	<p>Patrolman Charles MacArthur (100)</p>
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Axon Fleet 3 Interior Camera Video 2023-11-04 0246 - X694G2DCP

-At the start of the video, [REDACTED] was observed handcuffed and sitting in the back of the marked police unit. [REDACTED] was heard telling officers what had previously occurred involving Thomas Nock. The information [REDACTED] provided occurred just prior to the OIS incident. The information provided was relevant to the homicide and arson investigation being conducted by the North Olmsted Police Department.

-At the 00:40 mark of the video, [REDACTED] was heard saying that Nock had a "pistol" in his hand. The interviewing officer was heard asking [REDACTED] what kind of gun Nock had, [REDACTED] stated, "I don't know, it was black." When the officer asked if it was a revolver or semi-auto, [REDACTED] replied, "semi, semi-automatic, I believe." No further video was relevant to the OIS incident.



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(Image #9)

Drone Video Recording

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The video captured did not contain any views of the officer involved shooting incident. The video file depicted the drone flying through the burned remains of the residence located at [REDACTED] North Olmsted, Ohio 44070. Image #1 depicted the outside of the residence. Image #2 depicted the inside of the residence.



Image #1

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Image #2

Surveillance Video Recordings 28480 Alden Drive

William Sheehan provided 19 video files and images captured by his security cameras at 28480 Alden Drive. This was the residence located west of [REDACTED] (the home where the fire was).

Sheehan confirmed that the timestamps present on the video recordings were accurate with the actual time they were recorded. All the videos were recorded from cameras on the home and a backyard shed of the property located at 28480 Alden Drive. None of the recordings captured the actual shooting incident. They did capture some of the

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activity moments before the shooting. The following two video files contained the most relevant recordings:

20231104065726443_LNRZ5728ECC2140:

This video was recorded from a camera affixed to the back of the home located at 28480 Alden Drive, North Olmsted, Ohio, and directed in a northwestern direction. The video began at timestamp 01:47:26. The video was 33 seconds in length. A voice can be heard at the beginning of the video stating "He went running down" and became unintelligible.

At 4 seconds, a male voice was heard giving the command "Police, stop!" The command "Police, stop!" can be heard an additional 3 times. At that same time, a person holding a flashlight can be seen running in the top left of the video. This individual appeared to run west between the homes located at 5212 Douglas Drive and 5194 Douglas Drive. The individual left the view of the camera at the 10 seconds.

At 18 seconds police sirens can be heard in the distance. The command "Police, stop!" was repeated 3 more times prior to the video ending. Near the same time a percussion sound could be heard in the background.

20231104065902487_LNRZ5728ECC2140:

This video was recorded from a camera affixed to the back of the home located at 28480 Alden Drive, North Olmsted, Ohio, and directed in a northeastern direction. The video began at timestamp 01:47:04. The video was 62 seconds in length.

As the video began, an individual wearing a backpack ran west across the backyard of the property. At 5 seconds the individual was out of the camera view.

At 16 seconds, a male voice can be heard saying "Yeah, I think I just saw someone running west. There's someone running! Someone's running westbound. Someone's running southbound on Berkshire."

At 27 seconds, a male voice can be heard yelling "Police, stop!" That command was repeated 3 more times in the following 10 seconds.

At 41 seconds, police sirens can be heard in the distance and the command "Police, stop!" can be heard again.

At 55 seconds, a distinct and loud percussion sound can be heard. Throughout the video, a distinct large white flashing shape/light can be seen at the back of the home located at [REDACTED]. Above white shape/light, smoke appeared to be present.

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For additional information refer to the video recordings stored in Reference Items B, Reference Item C, and the Investigative Report titled 2024-04-16: Involved Officers BWC Video Review, 2024-04-15: Video Review, and 2023-11-04: Records Received, Records Reviewed.

Conclusion

This officer-involved shooting incident involved NOPD [REDACTED] and WPD [REDACTED]. Based upon the tangible/physical evidence, video and audio recordings, statements from law enforcement officers, statements from witnesses and the totality of the investigation, it was concluded that NOPD officers were dispatched to [REDACTED] for the report of an attempted murder. Due to the circumstances WPD officers also responded to the call.

When NOPD [REDACTED] and Wilson arrived on [REDACTED] they heard what they believed was a gunshot and saw that [REDACTED] appeared to be on fire. Moments later they saw Thomas Nock exit the front door of the home and run West through back yards on [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] pursued Nock on foot running west across Douglas Drive until he encountered Nock in bushes at the rear of 5320 Douglas Drive. There he ordered Nock to stop moving. Nock said he wasn't moving, raised one hand out of the bushes as if he was surrendering and then Nock fired a Beretta, APX, .40 caliber pistol two times, striking [REDACTED] in the left arm and chest.

[REDACTED] responded by moving and firing his FN, 15, .223 caliber rifle twenty times striking Nock. One projectile recovered from Nock's [REDACTED] was forensically confirmed as being fired by [REDACTED] s rifle.

Moments before the first shots were fired, [REDACTED] arrived at Nock and [REDACTED] s location. He was positioned south of [REDACTED] with a shed between them. [REDACTED] heard the first shots, believed Nock was firing at him or at [REDACTED] and in response [REDACTED] fired his Glock, 17, 9mm pistol eight times striking Nock. One projectile recovered from Nock's [REDACTED] was forensically confirmed as being fired by [REDACTED] s pistol.

The incident was visually and audibly captured on [REDACTED] s body worn camera. [REDACTED] s body worn camera visually captured the shooting portion of the incident. The number of shots fired by each of the officers and Nock was determined by the number of fired cartridge casings located at the scene.

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This conclusion was based on the totality of the investigation. Throughout the investigative process, investigators continually evaluated the physical evidence, in conjunction with audio and video recordings, forensic findings, witness statements, involved officer statements and other information to ensure all relevant facts and circumstances surrounding this incident were obtained.

This investigation was focused on the officer involved shooting incident and the law enforcement use of force that led to the death of Nock. The North Olmsted Police Department investigated the homicide of [REDACTED] and the arson.

Contact Information

The preceding information comprises only a portion of facts and circumstances collected during the investigation of the officer-involved shooting incident. For further review of specific information or documentation collected during the investigation, please refer to the individual reports, documents, and files from which this summary was derived. Any questions regarding the content or context of the information contained in this document can be directed to the attention of Special Agent Matthew Armstrong who can be reached via email at matthew.armstrong@OhioAGO.gov or by telephone at 234-400-3395.

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