



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



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Officer Involved Critical Incident – Interstate 275 / State Route  
32, OH, 45245 (Clermont County) (L)

**Investigative Activity:** Records Received, Video Review

**Involves:** [REDACTED] (S), Sergeant Derek Disbennett (W), Officer Tyler Hale (W), Officer Alex Puckett (W), Union Township Police Department (O)

**Date of Activity:** 04/02/2025

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**Narrative:**

On April 2, 2025, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Lauren Frazier received video footage from UTPD Lt. Scott Blankenship. SA Frazier was informed that the videos contained footage from the officers' body worn cameras (BWCs). SA Frazier was advised that UTPD does not have in-car cruiser cameras. The videos received are from officers that were either involved in the incident or witnesses to the OICI. The following officers were identified as having video footage involving the incident: [REDACTED], Sgt. Derek Disbennett, Officer Tyler Hale, and Officer Alex Puckett.

The following summary of the recorded video, highlights the key points that the author deemed most relevant, although it does not provide a verbatim account. It is suggested that the full video recordings be reviewed. SA Frazier reviewed the video recordings and noted the following information:

UTPD [REDACTED]:

- BWC video begins at 2313 hours.
- [REDACTED] stated via radio that he located the vehicle going northbound in the southbound lanes near the 64.2 mile marker.
- Radio dispatch advised that the subject had a gun and trooper was out with the driver.
- Radio dispatch stated that the subject was compliant and dropped the gun.
- [REDACTED] begins approaching the incident location, when multiple shots are fired.
- [REDACTED] verbalizes to other officers to watch their cross-fire and says "show us you're hands" several times.
- [REDACTED] moves to the front of the subject's vehicle and provides cover while [REDACTED] moves his cruiser away from the subject vehicle.
- 23:18:57 hours – [REDACTED] discharges multiple rounds, believed to be six (6) shots, at the vehicle's front passenger tire.

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- [REDACTED] request via radio to have I-275 southbound shut down.
- [REDACTED] advises via radio to have medics come to the scene, tells officers to roll her over, and begins administering CPR.
- [REDACTED] tells Sgt. Disbennett that he discharged multiple shots at the vehicle's tire.
- 23:24:28 hours – [REDACTED] tells medics that arrived, that OSP shot and there were multiple shots fired. [REDACTED] stated, "she shot multiple times too."
- Medics take over medical intervention and subject is transferred into a squad.
- [REDACTED] tells Trooper, "I didn't shoot her, I shot the car, trying to get her to stop."
- [REDACTED] checks on several civilians on scene and makes sure they're not injured.
- 23:33:50 hours – Sgt. Disbennett takes [REDACTED] firearm and will secure it in his trunk.
- 23:35:15 hours – [REDACTED] said he heard the beeping too and stated, "we also shot the car and she shot out the car."
- BWC video concludes at 2335 hours.

#### UTPD Sgt. Derek Disbennett:

- BWC video begins at 2314 hours.
- Sgt. Disbennett stated via radio that he located the vehicle, which he described as a red Ford Escape, on I-275 near mile marker 64.
- He activates his sirens and air horn several times, then motions and tells the driver to "pull over" numerous times.
- Sgt. Disbennett is on I-275 North with Officer Puckett.
- [REDACTED] yells "gun gun gun" and requests officers assistance.
- Sgt. Disbennett begins approaching the subject's vehicle and verbalizes "keep your hands up" before multiple shots are fired, presumably by [REDACTED].
- He tells radio dispatch "shots fired" and requested medics to respond.
- Sgt. Disbennett reached into the subject's vehicle, to turn the wheel, and allow the vehicle to crash into the concrete guardrail and come to a stop.
- Sgt. Disbennett locates the subject's right hand near the backseat of the vehicle.
- [REDACTED] locates the gun on the passenger side of the vehicle and BWC video shows [REDACTED] picking up the handgun.
- [REDACTED] is heard saying he's going to secure the firearm.
- Several officers are observed providing medical intervention.
- Sgt. Disbennett tells Officer Puckett to get his cruiser and block off the interstate.
- [REDACTED] tells Sgt. Disbennett that he discharged several shots at the vehicle's tire.
- Sgt. Disbennett makes a statement that "nobody shot besides her."
- He makes notification to command staff regarding the incident.
- BWC video concludes at 2327 hours.

#### UTPD Officer Tyler Hale:

- BWC video begins at 2314 hours.
- Officer Hale begins approaching the subject's vehicle, when multiple shots are fired.
- Officer Hale is on the passenger side of the subject's vehicle and observes and states "gun's on the ground."
- [REDACTED] observes the gun and picks it up.

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- Officer Hale advises via radio that CPR is in progress.
- Officer Hale assists with applying a chest seal and asks via radio what the ETA is on medics and tells them to step it up.
- Officer Hale gets a digital camera from Officer Puckett and takes several photos of the scene and subject in the back of the ambulance, before placing the camera back in Officer Puckett's cruiser.
- 23:31:38 hours – Officer Hale is heard accidentally kicking a spent casing on the ground.
- BWC video concludes at 2341 hours.

UTPD Officer Alex Puckett:

- BWC video begins at 2316 hours.
- Officer Puckett is on I-275 North with Sgt. Disbennett.
- Officer Puckett begins approaching the subject's vehicle with Sgt. Disbennett, when multiple shots are fired.
- [REDACTED] is observed pulling the subject out of the passenger side of the vehicle.
- Officer Puckett places the subject in handcuffs, where she's immediately rolled over and medical aid is rendered by other officers.
- BWC video concludes at 2341 hours.

**ADDITIONAL FACTORS FOR EVALUATING THE VIDEO RECORDINGS**

There are numerous other factors that need to be considered when reviewing and evaluating the videos and audio recordings of this incident. Those factors are:

A. Video recording devices record within the video and sound capabilities available, and they record objectively. Video recordings lack the history, perspective, and interest of the people involved. The positions, angles, obstacles, lighting, and distance from the incident are also factors that need serious consideration.

B. Video recording devices also record more information about a particular scene or incident than the person(s) involved in the incident can process during the critical incident. Video recording devices rarely record an event from the same perspective of the officer. It captures the action but not the perception, decision making, focus, or intent of the officer. Video recordings often miss tactile cues or other actions of a subject.

C. The speed of the incident is remarkable. The speed and complexity of rapidly evolving situation(s) that occur during use of force encounters are difficult concepts to comprehend by only watching the video.

All four (4) BWC videos have been uploaded in Axon (see references).

**Attachments:**

No attachments.

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## References:

UTPD BWC Videos on Axon