

AKRON POLICE DEPARTMENT
REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

NAME OF COMPLAINANT

RECORD ROOM

OFFENSE
Felony Assault

DATE
2/17/2025

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ARREST

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CLEARANCES:

A ☒ DEATH OF OFFENDER
B ☐ PROSECUTION DECLINED
C ☐ EXTRADITION DENIED
D ☐ VICTIM REFUSED COOP.
U ☐ REFERRED TO PROS

E ☐ JUVENILE/NO CUSTODY
F ☐ ARREST-ADULT
G ☐ ARREST-JUVENILE
H ☐ WARRANT ISSUED

I ☒ INVEST PENDING
J ☐ CLOSED
K ☐ UNFOUNDED
U ☐ UNKNOWN

ACTION TAKEN:

On February 17th, 2025, I (Ofc. Z. McCormick #1498), while assigned to the Commissary Unit, had been heating up cruiser 20A at 850 E. Market St., when I heard a car chase initiated over the radio. Shortly after the radio traffic began, I heard "Shots fired!" over the radio. I additionally heard "shooting at us" and a request for a rifle over the radio as well. I was in class C uniform (blue uniform shirt and pants) which clearly identified me as a police officer, and was in a marked police cruiser (20A). Due to the panic of the radio traffic, and due to my belief that officers were in need of assistance, I responded to the area of Lakeshore Blvd. I did not have the in-car computer on, and did not know the exact location of the shooting, so I followed cruiser 7A. I responded with lights and siren.

On scene, I assisted other officers in setting up a perimeter with the use of crime scene tape. After the perimeter was completed, I was assigned to stand by several spent shell casings in the snow. The shell casings were behind a blue sedan. I ensured that the casings were not stepped on or otherwise disturbed. I was eventually relieved by Ofc. Barker #1199.

I remained on scene and assisted in keeping the scene secure until receiving permission from Lt. Simcox #1120 to return to my assigned duty as a Commissary officer.

I was not equipped with a Body Worn Camera (BWC) due to my administrative assignment.

Reporting Officer

Ofc. Z. McCormick #1498

Supervisor

Sgt. [Signature] #1305

RECORDS _____
DB _____
OFFICER _____