

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



2023-2232 Officer Involved Critical Incident - 5991 S Sunbury Rd, Westerville OH 43081

Investigative Activity: Court Proceeding

Involves: Ken Bliss (W)

Date of Activity: 10/06/2025

Activity Location: Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney – 373 S High St., Columbus,

OH 43215

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Narrative:

On October 6, 2025 at approximately 1425 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Jim Mulford (SA Mulford) attended a pretrial conference at the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office with witness Ken Bliss (Bliss) for State of Ohio Vs. Connor Grubb. This conference was in response to an officer involved critical incident that occurred on August 24, 2023 at 5991 South Sunbury Road, Westerville, OH (Kroger). The incident involved officers with the Blendon Township Police Department and a female identified as Ta'kiya Young.

Montgomery County Prosecutor's Erin Claypoole, Dan Brandt, and Richard Glennon, who are appointed Franklin County Special Prosecutors for this case, conducted multiple conversations with potential witnesses to confirm their testimony and clarify all statements.

During this conversation, Bliss acknowledged that he originally stated to a BCI agent that he heard the vehicle accelerate towards the officer standing in front of the vehicle. Bliss clarified that he now remembers that he only heard a rev of a car behind him and he could not specifically say if it was the car involved in the incident or another car in the parking lot.

Bliss advised he now knows more about the incident from media, but he is attempting to answer all questions based on his familiarity of the incident at the time.

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Attachments:

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