

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



2023-1809

Officer Involved Critical Incident – 3110 E. Livingston Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43227 (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Officer

Involves: William Castle (W)

Date of Activity: 07/09/2023

Activity Location: Columbus Police Substation 11/12 - 950 E. Main St., Columbus,

OH 43205, Franklin County

Author: SA Jonathan Scale, #169

Narrative:

On Saturday, July 8, 2023, the Franklin County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) and the Columbus Division of Police (CPD) requested the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) to investigate the facts and circumstances surrounding a shooting incident between Antwan M. Lindsey (Lindsey) and law enforcement officers from both agencies. The incident occurred at an apartment building located at 3110 E. Livingston Avenue, Columbus, Ohio (Franklin County). Lindsey was transported by ambulance to Grant Medical Center, where he was pronounced deceased.

On Sunday, July 9, 2023 at approximately 0043 hours, BCI Special Agent Jon Scale (SA Scale) interviewed FCSO Deputy William Castle (Deputy Castle), badge #1122.

The interview took place at CPD substation 11/12 located at 950 E. Main Street, Columbus, OH. The interview was audio recorded and a copy is attached to this report, and a copy was also electronically uploaded to the case file.

Deputy Castle has been a FCSO deputy for the past seventeen (17) years. His call sign and cruiser number is K9-8. This is a single deputy cruiser and he was wearing his standard FCSO uniform and body worn camera (BWC).

Deputy Castle was working at the K9 building located at 1731 Alum Creek, Columbus, OH, when heard FCSO (call sign over the radio call out "shots fired". He then heard for that the suspect was down, then that the suspect was back up. Deputy Castle responded from the K9 building to the area of 3110 E. Livingston Avenue, Columbus, OH. Deputy Castle explained that when he turned the lights on in the cruiser, that triggers his front facing dash cam and BWC to automatically turn on. He said the footage from their BWC automatically uploads to a cloud-based system.

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Deputy Castle explained when he arrived to 3110 E. Livingston Ave, was behind his own cruiser taking cover. Advised the suspect went back inside the building. Deputy Castle explained the suspect then came back into sight in the lobby area of the building by the front door. He could see the suspect was holding a pistol. He described the subject as male Black, black t-shirt, and holding a black pistol.

Deputy Castle then said that the subject appeared to have gone down the staircase to the lower level. He said there was multiple CPD officers calling out the subject to come outside. He then with about ten (10) CPD officers approached the doorway. It appeared the subject was either hunched down or on the ground at the bottom of the stairs. A CPD officer said something like "he is right there, get back, get back." Deputy Castle explained he and the other officers that were up front quickly backed up and took cover.

Deputy Castle said that he then heard one or two gunshots followed by multiple gunshots. Deputy Castle stated that he did not know who was shooting and called out for a shield. Deputy Castle said that during the incident he never discharged his weapon and never saw either the subject or any other officers discharge their weapons.

A group of deputies and CPD officers then went into the building and some went downstairs and some went upstairs. Deputy Castle never entered the building but remembered he aired for a medic. Deputy Castle then moved his cruiser so the medics could pull up, and just helped with scene security at that point.

This interview concluded at approximately 0102 hours.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2023-07-09 FCSO Deputy William Castle interview

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