

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



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Officer Involved Critical Incident - 500 South Cleveland Ave., Westerville, Ohio 43081 (L)

Investigative Activity: Body Camera Review

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Narrative:

On April 15, 2021, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Jim Mulford (SA Mulford) received electronically the below referenced body worn camera (BWC) footage from Columbus Division of Police (CPD) Sgt. Terry McConnell. The footage of CPD Officer Andrew Howe, CPD Officer Dana Houseberg, and CPD Officer Ryan Krichbaum was requested by BCI in order to investigate an Officer Involved Critical Incident (OICI) which occurred at St. Ann's Hospital (500 South Cleveland Ave, Westerville, Ohio) on April 12, 2021. It was learned Columbus Police Department officers were taking Miles Jackson (patient; subject involved) into custody at St. Ann's Hospital ED room. A struggle ensued and CPD officers and St. Ann's (armed) Security Officers discharged their duty weapons. Jackson died from apparent gunshot wounds.

SA Mulford copied the BWC footage to a USB Thumb drive and saved it within the physical case file. Please review the video footage in its entirety for specific details.

SA Mulford reviewed the video and the following was noted within CPD Officer Andrew Howe's "part 1" BWC footage:

- CPD officers arrived at St. Ann's Hospital.
- Westerville Police (WPD) departed following the exchange of custody.
- CPD officers handcuffed Jackson to the hospital bed.
- CPD officers remained nearby for an extended period of time pending Jackson's release from the hospital.
- Audio is functioning and voices can be heard throughout the footage.

SA Mulford reviewed the video and the following was noted within CPD Officer Andrew Howe's "part 2" BWC footage:

- CPD officers begin searching Jackson and removing objects from his person.
- Officers locate a bullet in Jackson's pocket.
- CPD Officers locate what is believed to be a firearm hidden in the crotch area of Jackson.

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- An altercation ensues between Jackson and CPD where tasers are deployed and gunshots are fired.
- CPD Officer Howe clears a weapon malfunction and retreats to the corner of the room.
- CPD Officer Ryan Krichbaum crawls out of the room.
- After some time, several more shots are fired.
- Other law enforcement and medical staff enter the room to secure and provide medical attention.
- Audio is functioning and voices can be heard throughout the footage.

SA Mulford reviewed the video and the following was noted within CPD Officer Dana Houseberg's BWC footage:

- CPD Officer Dana Houseberg arrives at St. Ann's Hospital.
- Officer Houseberg runs into hospital and meets with other law enforcement.
- Officer Houseberg transitions from her firearm to a taser and deploys her taser.
- Several gunshots are fired immediately thereafter.
- Law enforcement and medical staff enter the room to secure and provide medical attention.
- The scene is secured.
- Audio is functioning and voices can be heard throughout the footage.

SA Mulford reviewed the video and the following was noted within CPD Officer Ryan Krichbaum's "part 1" BWC footage:

- CPD officers arrived at St. Ann's Hospital.
- CPD officers handcuffed Jackson to the hospital bed.
- CPD officers remained nearby for an extended period of time pending Jackson's release from the hospital.
- Audio is functioning and voices can be heard throughout the footage.

SA Mulford reviewed the video and the following was noted within CPD Officer Ryan Krichbaum's "part 2" BWC footage:

- CPD officers remained nearby for an extended period of time pending Jackson's release from the hospital.
- Hospital staff were in and out of Jackson's room.
- Audio is functioning and voices can be heard throughout the footage.

SA Mulford reviewed the video and the following was noted within CPD Officer Ryan Krichbaum's "part 3" BWC footage:

- The footage is very short and the camera appears to be blocked.
- A voice can be heard saying "He's got a gun."
- Audio is functioning and voices can be heard throughout the footage.

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References:
USB Thumbdrive - CPD BWC Footage
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