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Investigative Request

On Saturday, June 6, 2026, Chief Brandon Begin of the Oregon Police Department (OPD) requested the assistance of the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation's (BCI) Force Investigations Unit (FIU) and Crime Scene Unit (CSU) in conducting an independent investigation into the facts and circumstances surrounding an Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI). The incident reportedly occurred on June 6, 2026 in the area of 2600 Navarre Avenue, Oregon, OH 43616, Lucas County, OH, Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital Emergency Room Parking Lot and resulted in the death of Christian Strassburg (Christian).

Preface:

This report serves as a synopsis of the investigation into the June 6, 2026, Officer-Involved Critical Incident (shooting) in Lucas County, Ohio. This report only summarizes the information that the investigative team determined to be the most useful in achieving an overall understanding of what occurred in this incident. Every fact and detail is not presented in this summary report. Therefore, it is recommended that each individual report from which this document is derived be read in order to

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obtain a complete understanding of this investigation. Further, audio and/or video recordings exist for the majority of the interviews conducted, revealing further details of statements given regarding the incident.

This investigation was conducted with the purpose of determining, to the extent possible, the facts and circumstances surrounding this incident. As unbiased collectors of fact, the investigative team has not and will not render any opinion of the legality of officers' actions. Instead, it is anticipated that this investigation will provide the basis of information for decisions to be rendered by the appropriate authorities.

Investigative Team

BCI Special Agent (SA) Douglas Burke (SA Burke) was assigned as the lead FIU Case Agent. SA Burke received assistance in the investigation from SA John Tingley (SA Tingley), SA Josh Rammel (SA Rammel), SA Dave Hammond (SA Hammond), and SA Jon Lieber (SA Lieber). BCI Crime Scene Special Agents (CSSA) Megan Roberts (CSSA Roberts) and Crime Scene Technician (CST) Emily Miller (Miller) of the Crime Scene Unit processed the scene of the incident, documenting, preserving, and collecting possible evidence. BCI Computer Forensic Specialist (CFS) Natasha Branam (Branam) of the Cyber Crimes Unit conducted an extraction and analysis of Samsung Android 14 Galaxy 5G Cell Phone recovered from the scene at 2600 Navarre Ave., Oregon, OH 43616. The investigation was supervised by Special Agent Supervisor Charles Moran. Additionally, various personnel from the BCI crime laboratory performed scientific analyses on submitted items of potential physical evidence.

Summary of Process

The following is a partial list of investigative activities or methods which were employed during the course of this investigation, by the investigative team, in an effort to thoroughly and accurately locate and document all pertinent facts and circumstances regarding this incident:

- Recorded interview of the one (1) officer who discharged their weapons.
- Recorded interviews of two (2) officers who were involved in the incident, at the scene, or otherwise deemed to potentially have relevant information.
- Interviews of civilian witnesses to the incident.
- Interviews of family members or associates of Christian Strassburg (Christian).
- Interviews of family members or associates of the decedent.
- Obtained and reviewed post-mortem examination (autopsy) and toxicology reports

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- Obtained and reviewed police reports of prior law enforcement contacts with the Christian.
- Obtained and reviewed open and closed-source biographical information of Christian, to include criminal history reports, OHLEG, driving records, etc.
- Review of all available body cameras involved in the incident.
- Review of all available surveillance videos which captured any portion of the incident.
- Processing of the scene for potential evidence (photographing, searching, measuring, documenting, and collecting).
- 3D scans / model of incident area.
- Processed involved-subject vehicle for potential evidence.
- Reviewed audio communications on the radio frequencies utilized during the incident.
- Review of 911/phone communications related to the incident.
- Review of dispatch/CAD records pertaining to the incident.
- Review of Mobile Data Terminal (MDT) communications relative to the incident
- Issued preservation letters for phone records of the numbers believed to have some relevance to the incident.
- Reviewed phone/text records obtained via search warrant from wireless service provider.
- Review of the department's reports, photographs, and investigative materials pertaining to the incident, excluding any Garrity statements or information derived from any compelled statement.
- Obtained Consent to Search for Christina's Samsung Android 14 Galaxy 5G Cell Phone and performed an analysis of the data present
- Conducted forensic laboratory examinations to include:
 1. Firearm identification testing of involved firearms, casings, and bullets
 2. Firearm operability testing
 3. DNA
- Obtained consent to analyze electronic evidence, to include:
 1. Cellular phones
 2. Social media and/or email accounts
- Reviewed data obtained from aforementioned items of electronic evidence.
- Collected and reviewed the departmental personnel files of the officer involved in the shooting, to include training and disciplinary records (if any).
- Reviewed firearm qualification and training records for involved officers.
- Verified the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission (OPOTC) certification status of the officer(s) who discharged their weapons.

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- Obtained the department's policies and procedures regarding use of force for prosecutorial review.
- Enhancement of audio/video recordings through the assistance of the Ohio Organized Crime Investigations Commission and through the assistance of Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Charles Moran (Moran).
- Reviewed medical records of those injured, Christian, obtained through a search warrant.
- Reviewed tips, social media posts, and pertinent statements made in the media regarding the incident

Incident Summary/Overview

On Saturday, June 6, 2026, officers with Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital Police Department (MHPD) were dispatched to the parking lot right outside of the Emergency Room (ER) Department of the Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital, 2600 Navarre Ave., Oregon, OH 43616 for a disturbance between a male and female subject. Mercy Health Medical Staff had called the disturbance into Mercy Health Police Department (MHPD) Dispatch to provide the relative information to MHPD Officers about the disturbance in the ER Parking Lot. Furthermore, a male subject allegedly had been pushing a female subject into a vehicle in the ER Parking Lot, adding the vehicle had been a maroon jeep. Throughout the investigation, the male subject had been identified as Christian Strassburg (Christian) and the female subject had been identified as Samantha Binkley (Samantha), the significant other of Christian.

████████████████████ had been in ██████████ office conducting normal business inside of Mercy Health Hospital (MHH). Upon being dispatched to the ER Parking Lot, ██████████ responded on foot, and was the first MHPD Officer (Ofc.) to arrive in the ER Parking Lot of MHH. Shortly thereafter, MHPD Ofc. Brett Bartson (Bartson) and Mercy Health Security Officer (Ofc.), Nicole Stribrny-Kiefer (Stribrny-Kiefer) arrived in the Mercy Health ER Parking Lot.

Upon walking outside of MMH, into the ER Parking Lot, ██████████, from a distance, immediately located the Christian and Samantha arguing, and were at the driver side compartment of a maroon jeep. ██████████ identified himself as a MHPD Ofc. and attempted to get the attention of Christian. Christian immediately replied to ██████████

"Shoot at me bitch."

In an aggressive manner, Christian started to walk towards ██████████ and stated,

"Shut the fuck up you fucking cop, you want me (Christian) to shoot you."

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Further orders had been given to Christian by [REDACTED] for Christian to stop moving (walking) towards [REDACTED]. Furthermore, as Christian had closed the distance between Christian and [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] continuously backing up, [REDACTED] had given verbal commands for Christian to,

"Stop, Stop, Put the knife down, Put the knife down."

[REDACTED] fired shots at Christian and Christian fell to the ground in the Mercy Health ER Parking Lot. Due to being on the campus of Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital, once the scene had been rendered safe by [REDACTED], MHPD Ofc. Bartson, and Security Ofc. Stribrny-Kiefer, medical staff from Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital had come out the ER Parking Lot to start rendering aid to Christian.

Christian had been immediately placed onto a gurney and transported inside the ER where further medical treatment had been provided to Christian. Subsequently, Christian succumbed to the gunshot wounds.

Decedent



Name: Christian Strassburg

Date of Birth: September 5, 1990

Social Security Number: [REDACTED]

Home Address: 325 River Place, Toledo, OH

Christian had many encounters with multiple Law Enforcement Agencies in Ohio, Indiana, and Florida over an extended period of time. The encounters included both criminal and traffic offenses. There was also a notation that if contacted to [REDACTED]

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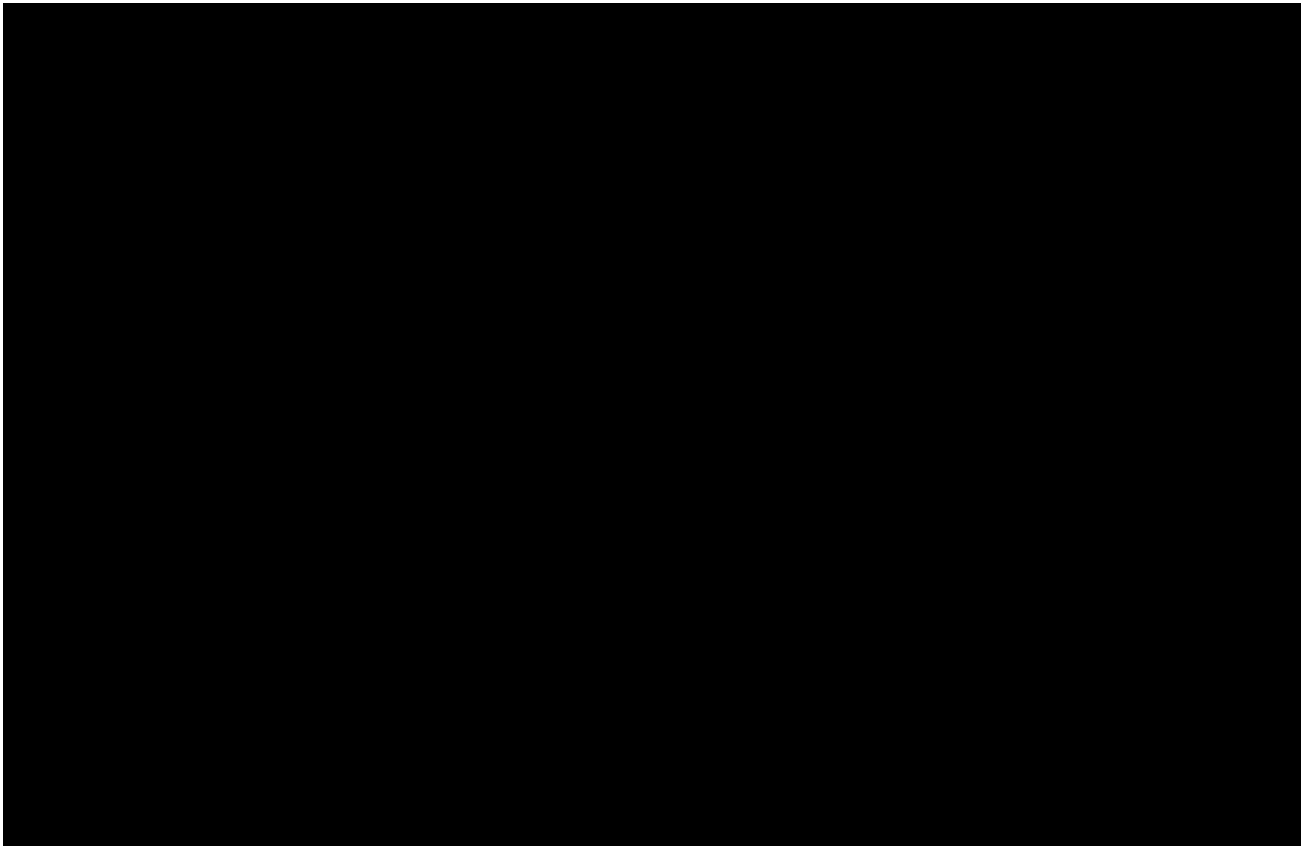


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Christian had a [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]



It should also be noted that with the conviction for Gross Sexual Imposition (GSI), Christian had been classified as a Tier II Sex Offender through Auglaize County, OH. Christian served time in prison and was released on Community Control Sanctions (CCS) and was to remain on CCS until December 2028.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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Autopsy Report

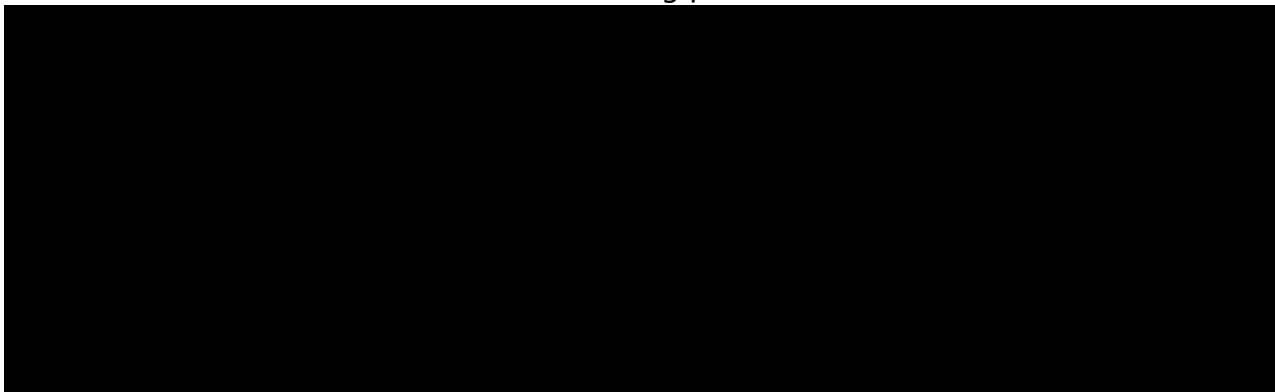
The autopsy report for the decedent, Christian, was obtained from the Lucas County Coroner's Office (LCCO), 2595 Arlington Ave., Toledo, OH, 43614, on Monday, June 8, 2026, by Dr. Thomas Blomquist (Blomquist). SA Burke obtained a copy of the autopsy report from CST Miller. A review of those documents revealed the following information.

This initial autopsy report was authored by Dr. Thomas Blomquist. The "CAUSE OF DEATH" for Christian was listed as a "[REDACTED]". How the injury occurred had been labeled as: "[REDACTED]". The "MANNER OF DEATH" was listed as "[REDACTED]". The Opinion of Dr. Blomquist's findings had been, Christian had died "[REDACTED]", and the Manner of Death was "[REDACTED]".

Christian was found to have sustained [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

On Monday, August 10, 2026, SA Burke received the "TOXICOLOGY REPORT" from the Lucas County Coroner's Office (LCCO) Laboratory Director Robyn Shinaver. The "TOXICOLGY REPORT" contained the following pertinent information:



(Figure #1, image above, positive findings of Christian's Toxicology Results from LCCO.)

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Christian's drug panel composed of a blood and urine screens which had been taken at the time of autopsy on Monday, June 8, 2026.

Physical Evidence

The BCI Crime Scene Unit (CSU) was requested to respond to the scene of the Officer-Involved Critical Incident to document and preserve any items of potential evidence. Multiple agents responded and processed the scene, to include photographing and mapping the area, as well as the search for, documentation, and collection of items of possible evidence. Detailed crime scene reports were completed with the below information only summarizing some of the more significant findings.

The Crime Scene was processed by Crime Scene Special Agent (CSSA) Megan Roberts (Roberts) and Crime Scene Technician (CST) Emily Miller (Miller). The scene was photographed as it was found and the digital images were uploaded to AXON Justice/Evidence.com. Additionally, the scene was digitally mapped using a Leica 360 scanner, and the digital scan data was uploaded into AXON Justice/Evidence.com.

The crime scene encompassed the Emergency Room Parking Lot of Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital, 2600 Navarre Ave., Oregon, OH, 43616, Lucas County, OH. MHPD along with Oregon Police Department (OPD) secured the scene by placing police tape throughout the ER Parking Lot of the hospital. This process was completed to prevent fired cartridge casings from being lost or moved before or during the processing of the crime scene. Additionally, this process had been completed to prevent any contamination of any other relevant evidence which pertained to the OICI.

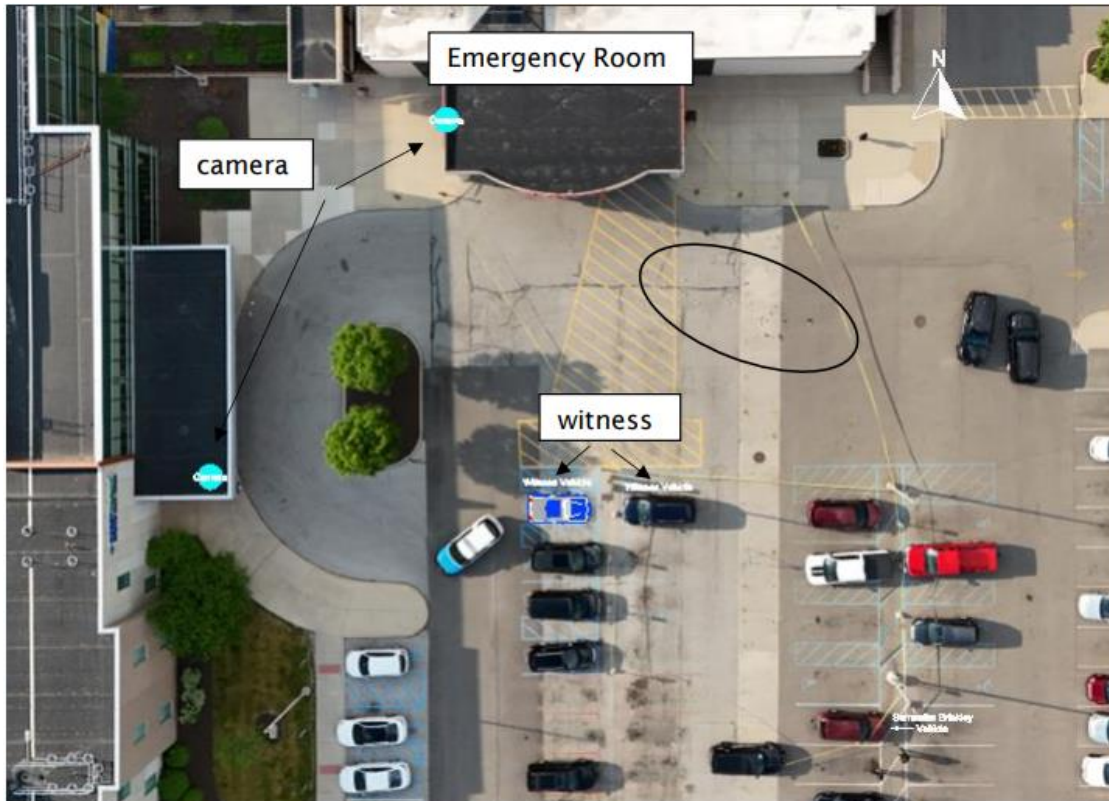
A total of seven (7) fired cartridge casings and three (3) pieces of a ball point pen were collected as suspected evidence in the Emergency Room Parking Lot of Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital.



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(Figure #2, above overhead drone photograph and authored by CST Miller of scene in Emergency Room Parking lot of Mercy Health-St. Charles.)

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(Figure #3, above photograph by CSSA Roberts {MMR_6586.JPG} of overall scene of Emergency Room Parking Lot of Mercy Health-St. Charles).

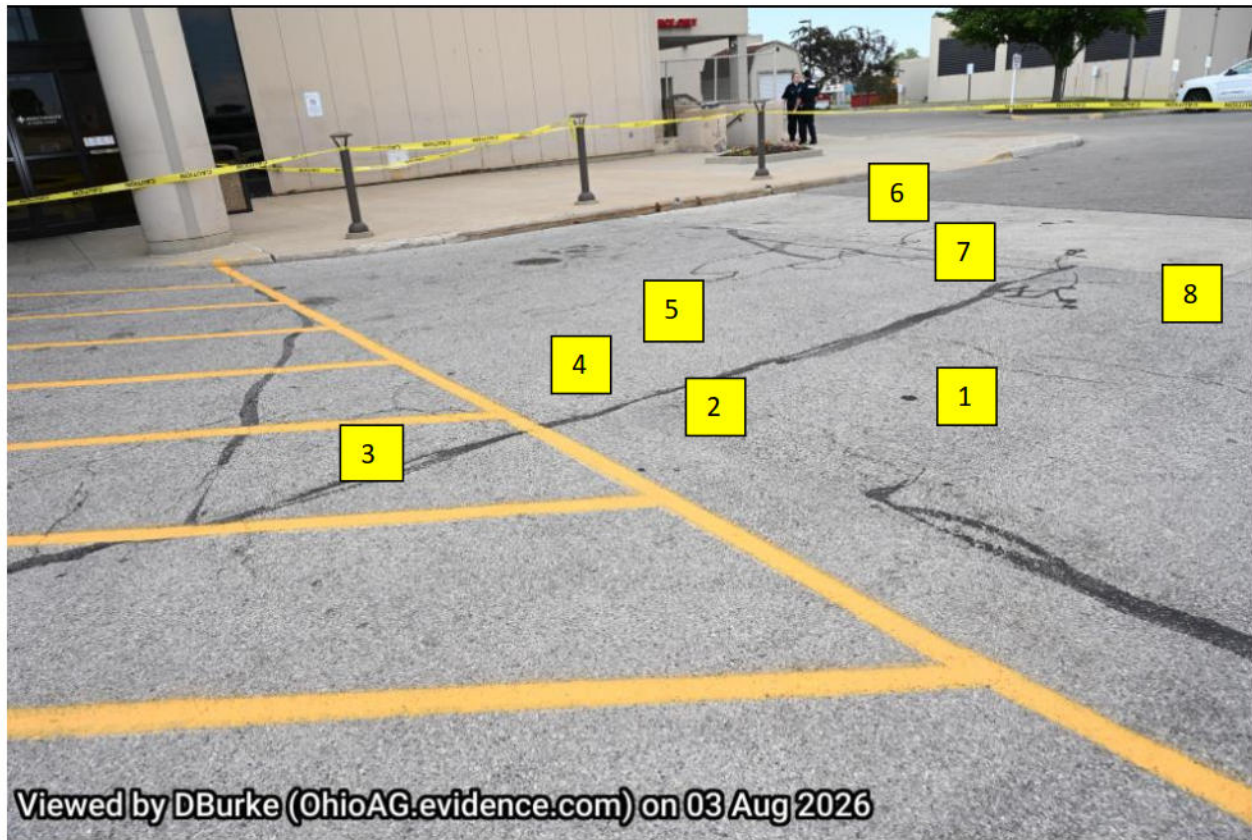
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(Figure #4, above photograph by CSSA Roberts {MMR_6557.JPG} of placement of Placards #1 through #7, fired cartridge casings from [REDACTED] service weapon. Placard #8, fluorescent green portion of ballpoint pen.)

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(Figure #5, above photograph by CSSA Roberts {MMR_6610.JPG} of Placard #8, fluorescent green portion of broken pen Christian had in Christian's right hand at time of OICI.)

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(Figure #6, above photograph by CSSA Roberts {MMR_6612.JPG} of Placard #9, ballpoint portion of broken pen Christian had in Christian's right hand at time of OICI.)

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(Figure #7, above photograph by CSSA Roberts {MMR_6614.JPG} of Placard #10, ink cartridge portion of fluorescent green pen Christian had in Christian's right hand at time of OICI.)

BCI Laboratory

Various items of potential evidence were submitted to the BCI Laboratory for analysis. The actual reports should be consulted as the following synopsis does not include many of the details from the full reports.

The BCI Firearms Section Forensic Scientist (FS) Kevin Belcik (Belcik) performed an analysis of the Involved Officer's duty weapon (firearm), as well as the firearm-related evidence collected from the scene, vehicles, and autopsies (casings, bullets, projectiles). By comparing evidentiary cartridge casings/projectiles to known standards from each weapon, identifications were able to be made as to which casings/projectiles were fired from each firearm. Of the casings/projectiles recovered, the following identifications were made:

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Lab Item #4, a Glock Model 45, 9mm Luger semi-automatic pistol, Serial Number [REDACTED] with an attached weapon mounted light, fired by Mercy Health-St. Charles Police Department [REDACTED] during the OICI involving Christian had been deemed to be operable. Lab Item #1 1 EC1-1 EC7, the seven (7) 9mm Luger fired cartridge cases were source identified from Lab #4. Items #5 EB1-5 EB5, and 3, the six (6) 9mm Luger fired bullets collected at the scene of the OICI and autopsy of Christian were source identified from Lab #4.

Findings:

Item Description	Comparison	Conclusion
Item 4 Glock Pistol	N/A	Operable
	Item 1 EC1 - 1 EC7	Source Identification
	Seven (7) 9mm Luger fired cartridge cases	
	Items 5 EB1 - 5 EB5, and 3	Source Identification
	Six (6) 9mm Luger fired bullets	

Remarks

The various fragments and fired bullet from Item 5 EB4 were weighed together and treated as a single unit for examination / comparison purposes.

Six (6) of the sixteen (16) 9mm Luger unfired cartridges from Item 4 were used for test firing.

All evidence will be returned to the submitting agency.

BCI DNA Section Forensic Scientist (FS) Angela Khrestian performed an analysis of the fluorescent green pen which Christian had possession of in Christian's right hand at the time of the OICI, as well as an envelope containing a DNA Blood Card standard from Christian at the time of autopsy. Additional portions of the ballpoint pen were also examined by FS Angela Khrestian. The following identifications were made:

Lab Item #2: Portions of Fluorescent Green Pen recovered next to where Christian had fallen to the ground in the Emergency Room parking lot. **Item #2.1** was the top portion of the pen. **Item #2.1.1** was a swab from the top portion of the pen. The conclusion was a mixture of 2 contributors. Consistent with contributions from:

- Christian Strassburg - The estimated proportion of the population that cannot be excluded as possible contributors to the mixture of DNA profiles is rarer than 1 in 1 trillion ^ unrelated individuals.
- Unknown female - sufficient for comparison

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Item #2.2 was the bottom portion of the pen, and the conclusions were presumptive positive for blood. **Item #2.2.1** was a swab from the staining on the bottom portion of the pen. The conclusion was DNA profile consistent with Christian – The estimated frequency of occurrence of the DNA profile is rarer than 1 in 1 trillion ^ unrelated individuals. **Item #2.2.2** was a swab from the remainder of the bottom portion of the pen. The conclusion had been a mixture (1 major contributor), Major – Consistent with:

- Christian Strassburg – The estimated frequency of occurrence of the major DNA profile is rarer than 1 in 1 trillion ^ unrelated individuals.

The remainder of this mixture contains DNA that is not of sufficient quality for comparison to a standard from any individual.

Lab Item #6: DNA Blood Card from Christian Strassburg collected at the time of autopsy. **Item #6.1** had been the profile used for comparison purposes.

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Findings:

Item	Conclusions
2 Portions of pen	
2.1 Top portion of pen	
2.1.1 Swab from top portion of pen	Mixture (2 contributors) Consistent with contributions from: - Christian Strassburg - The estimated proportion of the population that cannot be excluded as possible contributors to the mixture of DNA profiles is rarer than 1 in 1 trillion[^] unrelated individuals. - Unknown female - sufficient for comparison
2.2 Bottom portion of pen	Presumptive positive for blood

Item	Conclusions
2.2.1 Swab from staining on bottom portion of pen	DNA profile consistent with Christian Strassburg - The estimated frequency of occurrence of the DNA profile is rarer than 1 in 1 trillion [^] unrelated individuals.
2.2.2 Swab from remainder of bottom portion of pen	Mixture (1 major contributor) Major – consistent with: Christian Strassburg – The estimated frequency of occurrence of the major DNA profile is rarer than 1 in 1 trillion[^] unrelated individuals. The remainder of this mixture contains DNA that is not of sufficient quality for comparison to a standard from any individual.
6 DNA standard from Christian Strassburg	
6.1 DNA standard from Christian Strassburg	Profile used for comparison purposes

[^] Based on the national database provided by the National Institute of Standards and Technology

Interviews with Witnesses in Emergency Room Parking Lot

Laurie Overholt

On Saturday, June 6, 2026, at approximately 1936 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Jon Lieber (Lieber) interviewed Laurie Overholt (Overholt), relative to the Officer-Involved Critical Incident which took place on Saturday, June 6, 2026. The interview took place in the parking area at Mercy Health hospital 2600 Navarre Ave., Oregon, OH 43616.

Overholt stated that she was seated in the rear driver side seat of her Dodge Caravan. The Caravan was parked in a handicapped parking space closest to the emergency

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room entrance to the hospital. The rear passenger side door of her vehicle was open; all of the other doors were closed. Overholt observed a male and female talking in a maroon color Jeep parked behind and a few parking spaces further away from the emergency room entrance.

Overholt observed a male police officer wearing a full uniform come out of the Behavioral Health Institute area of the hospital and walk across the parking lot. The officer attempted to get the male at the Jeep to come to the officer. Overholt heard the officer say **"Stop," "Drop,"** and **"Police."** The male walked toward the officer at a fast-walking pace. Overholt described this by saying that the **"Guy starts barreling towards him"** [04:06]. Overholt did not hear the male say anything and she did not see anything in the male's hands. The female exited the Jeep and yelled to try to get the male to stop. It should be noted, later in the interview Overholt stated that the female was saying something, but she could not recall or could not understand the female's exact words.

Another officer arrived in the parking lot while the first officer drew his pistol and fired several shots at the male. Overholt stated that the male was approximately 6 feet away from the first officer at the time of the shooting. Overholt stated that she believed that the male's hands were not raised as he walked toward the officer.

Thomas Harmon

On Saturday, June 6, 2026, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Josh Rammel (SA Rammel) interviewed Thomas Harmon (Harmon), relative to the Officer-Involved Critical Incident which took place on Saturday, June 6, 2026. The interview took place at 2600 Navarre Avenue, Oregon, OH.

Harmon pointed to a vehicle Harmon described as "the Jeep", later confirmed to be the vehicle driven by Samantha Binkley (Binkley) and the decedent, Christian Strassburg (Strassburg).

Harmon indicated he was sitting in his vehicle in clear view of parking spot that the Jeep pulled into after entering the parking lot of St. Charles Hospital. After entering the parking lot, Strassburg exited the vehicle and went into the doors of the hospital. Strassburg then exited almost immediately and went back to the vehicle where Binkley was waiting. According to Harmon, Strassburg kept pushing Binkley back into the driver's seat of the vehicle while he continued to **"yell at her"**. At that time the **"officer"** came out of St. Charles to see what was going on and confronted Strassburg.

Harmon indicated that Strassburg **"pulled out a knife"** and started walking towards the officer. Harmon demonstrated to SA Rammel how Strassburg held the knife. Harmon

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held the knife in a grip that indicated an overhead position that would lead to a downward stabbing motion.

Harmon explained that Strassburg kept ***“lunging towards him (the officer)”*** as the officer walked backwards. Harmon described multiple commands given by the officer towards Strassburg ordering him to ***“drop the knife”***. Harmon moved to just out of reach of SA Rammel and stated that this was the distance that Strassburg had been from the officer during the time the officer was moving backwards giving commands to Strassburg to drop the knife. Harmon confirmed that multiple commands were given before the officer fired his weapon and shot Strassburg.

Harmon indicated that the officer was walking back slowly and pointed to show where the shooting took place.

Harmon told SA Rammel that everything happened so quickly, but Harmon believed that four (4) or five (5) shots were taken by the officer. Harmon also commented that he believed that the officer ***“had no choice”***.

Hayden Henry

On Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at 1203 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Douglas Burke (SA Burke) and Adult Parole Officer (APA) Ofc. Aleynah Henry (Henry) interviewed Hayden Henry (Hayden), relative to the Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) which took place on Saturday, June 6, 2026. There had been an incident which had taken place between Christian and Hayden at their house of 325 River Place, Toledo, OH prior to the OICI on that Saturday afternoon.

This would be the same complex/housing where Christian and Christian's significant other, Samantha Binkley (Samantha) resided. Hayden had explained this house was a Re-Admission House for former incarcerated individuals to get re-established with society.

Hayden had received a phone call from Hayden's landlord about paying his rent. Hayden was getting ready to walk downstairs to meet the person sent to pick up the rent payment. Hayden heard a door open downstairs and thought it was the person picking up the rent payment.

Hayden stated it was Christian coming in from outside and Christian walked up to the top of the stairs where Hayden was. According to Hayden, Hayden asked Christian how he was doing and Christian:

“Looked at me for like probably 5-10 seconds, he (Christian) gave me kind of like a dead stare or whatever”(3:45).

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Christian then walked back downstairs to get an Amazon package which had been delivered and then came back upstairs. Hayden had stated that when Christian was walking back upstairs, Christian was ***"mumbling" (4:15)*** but could not make out what Christian had been saying.

When Christian got back to the top of the stairs, he was looking right at Hayden and Hayden started to back-up into his room. According to Hayden, Christian walked up to Hayden and Christian ***"pushed me" (5:35)***. Hayden continued to walk backwards into Hayden's room, and Christian ***"pushed" (5:37)*** Hayden again and now Christian had been ***"talking crap" (5:40)***. Christian continued to push Hayden back to where Hayden was now inside his closet. Hayden stated he was not going to be ***"defenseless," (5:53)*** so Hayden ***"pushed him (Christian) back" (5:55)***.

It had got to the point in the altercation when,

"He (Christian) took his arm down and started choking me (Hayden), I had my chin tucked like this, but he (Christian) was choking the shit outta my neck" (6:15).

"Like you know, kind of making me lightheaded" (6:22). "I told his wife (Samantha), get him (Christian) the fuck off of me, get him the fuck off of me" (6:24). "He (Christian) left the room and said something about guns and knives" (6:43).

Hayden said he vividly remembered Christian talking about the guns and knives because those items terrify Hayden. Hayden did not know if Christian had those items on Christian's person but knew for sure Christian talked about those items.

SA Burke asked Hayden if Christian ever threatened Hayden with a gun or knife or made mention of having a gun or knife on Christian's person. Hayden said Christian never threatened Hayden with those weapons but did not know if Christian was ever in possession of those weapons either. Hayden re-confirmed he never saw Christian in possession of a weapon.

Hayden said after the incident between himself and Christian, Samantha apologized to Hayden and stated,

"I've (Samantha) been trying to get him (Christian) to go to the hospital for two days now" (7:43).

Hayden then started to get ready for work and heard Christian yelling at the top of his lungs, like a ***"gut yell" (8:12)***, but Hayden could not tell what Christian was saying. Immediately after that, Hayden said he left and went to work. SA Burke asked Hayden what time of day that was and Hayden said it was around two (2) o'clock because it

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happened right before work and Hayden leaves for work between 2:05p.m to 2:10p.m. every day for work.

SA Burke asked Hayden again about ever having any previous issues with Christian. Hayden stated he and Christian would always pass each other in the hallway, staircase, etc., and never had any issue whatsoever with Christian. Furthermore, Hayden stated that is why it was hard to understand everything, but whatever had triggered Christian on that Saturday had been significant because Hayden never saw that side of Christian before. Hayden said Samantha told Hayden that Christian's doctors were starting to take Christian off Christian's psychotic medication for whatever reason.

Hayden wanted it known, during the altercation with Christian, Christian did not punch Hayden and Hayden did not punch Christian. It was the pushing and shoving along with Christian putting Hayden in a headlock and "choking" Hayden for a brief period. Hayden stated he became *"lightheaded" (11:27)* and *"the next morning I (Hayden) was sore as fuck" (11:30)*.

SA Burke asked Hayden if he had any idea what would have set Christian off on that Saturday afternoon. Hayden stated Christian was just *"Agitated, but really he (Christian) was a quiet guy" (13:50)*. Hayden added that day, *"Christian was visibly agitated" (14:19)*.

Furthermore, SA Burke asked Hayden if law enforcement ever showed up at the house and Hayden stated he never saw law enforcement at the house to deal with Christian.

Samantha Binkley

On Saturday, June 06, 2026, at approximately 1715 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) David Hammond (SA Hammond) and SA Josh Rammel (SA Rammel) interviewed Samantha Binkley (Binkley), relative to the Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) which took place on Saturday, June 6, 2026. The interview took place at 2600 Navarre Ave, Oregon. Also present during the interview was a member of the hospital clergy staff.

Binkley explained that Christian Strassburg (Strassburg), her boyfriend (fiancée), began having health and mental problems on Christmas day 2025.

At the 2:51 mark she stated, *"He had a seizure Christmas day, and he was taken to St. Vincent's in Toledo, and they transferred him over here on December 27th to the behavioral health hospital because he was, I mean, when he, they did his seizures and everything, he was manic right before it. Like he was confused. He wasn't eating. He was really sick."*

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At the 3:31 mark, ***"Well, when he woke up in the hospital because they had to sedate him because they had to do a spinal tap on Christmas Day in the emergency room. When he woke up, he thought he was in prison because, you know, everybody was swarming and he didn't know what was going on. He didn't know remember anything. He had no clue what had been happening. And the one nurse over there thought he was being very, because, you know, out of it, he was, his brain wasn't registering what year it was. He was remembering things from past not present. And the nurse, the one male nurse over there, cause he ran up on him, triggered him thinking he was back in prison. Um, so they caught him. They transferred him over here and kept giving him meds and everything and none of them was working."***

Binkley stated that Strassburg was released from the hospital on January 9th (2026). She related that the medicine was affecting his chemistry and gave him severe nightmares. Binkley related that this prompted Strassburg to discontinue taking the medicine.

At the 5:00 mark, Binkley stated, ***"So, his psychologist [REDACTED] said we could slowly tapering him off. We tapered him off of it, and he was fine. He was back to being normal in February."***

She went on to say that he had his last dose of psych medicine on March 2nd. Binkley stated that she noticed a change in Strassburg about a week and a half ago. The change occurred after his supervisor at work, Yellowstone Landscaping, changed.

At the 5:55 mark, she stated, ***"He got, had gotten a new crew lead and he has higher senior than everybody. He didn't care, he didn't want the crew lead position, but the person they brought in was a younger kid who didn't know what the crap he was doing and was sitting there constantly belittling him nonstop. He was a professional landscaper. He worked through Yellowstone Landscaping. Uh, it got so bad that his anxiety, cause he battles with anxiety and everything since his past trauma he's been through between growing up in prison. And it got to the point where I made him not go to work Thursday because he came home Wednesday night and was just like, he couldn't click it, couldn't get it out of his head what the guy kept saying to him over and over and it just, he was just building up frustration. I was trying to get him, Hey, okay, we have your doctor's appointment back with the shrink this coming Friday. You're taking the next couple of days off and we're just going to relax and get you calm."***

Binkley described Strassburg's condition worsening on Friday, citing a lack of sleep. She stated that a call to his mother to wish her happy birthday seemed to further upset him.

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At the 8:31 mark, Binkley related, ***"On Friday it started getting really bad and I was trying to get ahold of you to see if I could get him in an earlier appointment. And last night he hadn't slept since, but two hours since Wednesday morning. Last night he just kept going and going. Well, I finally got into breakdown about five o'clock this morning. He fell asleep and he slept until, what, 11:30 today. This morning he got up and he was fine for a little, a few minutes and he was actually carrying on a conversation with me, being normal. And then, uh, he called to tell his mom happy birthday. He was on video chat with her and something triggered and he started being upset again."***

Binkley stated that Strassburg's mother called back later to check on him. His mother would later call the Lucas County Sheriff's Office (2:30 pm) to help Binkley get him to the hospital.

At the 9:13 mark, ***"Well, she called back again later to check. She called at 2:30 today to the Lucas County Sheriff's Department asking for them to send somebody out to help me get him to the hospital so he can, he checked in, nobody came. They called around, I want to say 3:30. They called his cell phone. I answered it and of course he was in his little, you know, aggressive talking anger mode because I had been sitting there trying to go and hang, come on, let's go to the hospital."***

Binkley said she got him to leave the house with a story of going to Walmart. She stated that she had begun to drive to the hospital, and he realized what was happening.

At the 10:37 mark, ***"He realized what was going on. He threw my truck in park and he's like, 'Why are you doing this to me?' 'Why are you doing this to me?' 'You're trying to get me hospitalized.' I go, no, I want you to be seen. I was, can you figure out what's going on to see if we can get a med adjustment? You know, back on meds, something, something needs to happen because I'm scared, I couldn't lose."***

At the 11:13 mark, ***"He grabbed the steering wheel. I went up on the curb right there by the little side over by the urology department. He was mad. He was yelling at me, didn't do anything to me. He came around, got off the curb, came around and pulled up there in front. He came inside for like. He came inside because he was mad and yelling at me."***

At the 12:01 mark, ***"He met over at the truck. I was getting out of the, my truck and he got mad. He said, he's like, 'No, we're not doing this. We're going to Walmart like you said.' And he pushed me back into the seat, which was no big"***

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deal. I'm like, no, we need to get you help. Will you please do this for me? Let's go in and fuck is that. He goes, 'Okay.' Well, the cop comes running over, starts yelling at him."

Binkley then describes the moment where Strassburg was encountered by the police.

At the 12:33 mark, "He's holding my ink pen, which is neon green. It was laying out there. He kicked it out of his hand. He turned around and started walking to, and he goes, 'What are you going to do?' 'Call my PO and put me in handcuffs and arrest me?' because he's, well, what's [unintelligible]? He saw the pen and started screaming. 'You got a knife, you got a knife.' And he just pulled his gun out. He unloads almost the whole entire clip in his chest as I'm running towards, behind him, trying to stop him from walking towards the cop. And he walks over and kicks the ink pen out of his damn hand as I screaming to him, before he even shot, when he pulled his gun out. 'He's having manic episode.' 'Don't shoot him.' 'I thought it was a Taser at first.' Then I see him, he started popping off. He wouldn't stop."

Binkley was asked what types of medicine Strassburg was taking currently. She stated that the only thing in his system should be weed (marijuana). He was a regular smoker. Binkley gave investigators consent to search her vehicle for potential evidence.

Near the end of the interview, Binkley disclosed that Strassburg had a physical altercation earlier in the day with Hayden Raney who resides at their same boarding house.

At the 23:13 mark, "He had a disagreement today that our, with our, we lived in a boarding house pretty much and with one of our roommates. But he knew, he knows what was going on. He didn't, he was, he was okay with it because he was just trying to help calm him down. But he, Christian had swung on him, but that was, you know, he thought he was coming at him and didn't realize when he came around the corner, if easier to explain, our room is at one end of the hallway. You have to come down the hallway, go like this to go down the stairs to come downstairs. The other guy's door is right here at the top of the stairs.

And, and he was coming out his room. He came out of his room so fast that he didn't realize what was going on and you know, he was already having any episode. I was just trying to grab a package off the porch real quick and come back upstairs and keep him contained to our group. And, uh, yeah, they got, he, he, he actually took it wrong and everything and he swung on Hayden, but Hayden just put him in a head block and held him there until I got him to calm

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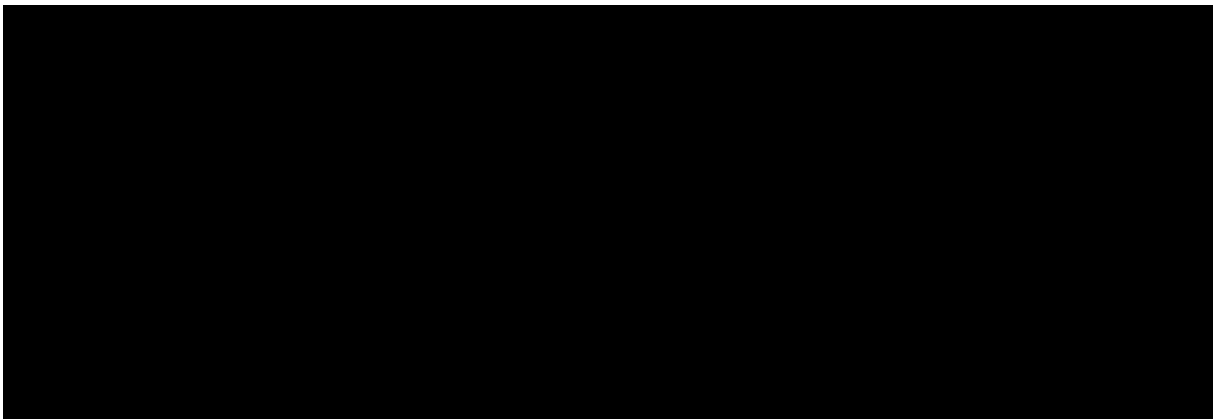
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him down and even realized what he was doing. And then he stopped. He was like, um, I took him, got him back in my room.

On June 6, 2026, after the conclusion of the initial interview with Binkley, SA Josh Rammel was provided with the list of medications that Strassburg was prescribed or taking a few months prior to the OICI.



Anne Marie Prieur

Anne Marie Prieur (Anne Marie) was the mother of Christian who had contacted Toledo Police Department (TPD) on two (2) separate occasions to have TPD Officers to respond to Christian and Samantha's house to assist getting Christian to the hospital due to Christian's mental health breakdown.

Anne resided in Melbourne, FL and SA Burke had made numerous phone call attempts to speak with Anne about Christian's past and current mental health status. Anne did not answer any of SA Burke's phone calls, nor did Anne return any phone calls when SA Burke had left Anne messages to do so.

Dispatch-Related Information

On Saturday, June 6, 2026, at 14:29:46, Christian's mother, Anne Marie had called the Toledo Police Department's (TPD) Dispatch non-emergency hotline on behalf of Samantha to have a TPD Officer (Ofc.) respond to 325 River Place, Toledo, OH due to Christian having a mental breakdown. The following excerpts were taken directly from TPD Dispatch recording:

"I live in Florida, but my son's (Christian Strassburg) having a mental breakdown (00:06). He's in um, Ohio. What's the address? Um, 325 River Place" (00:13). Wife (Samantha Binkley) is afraid" (00:24).

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"Um, Anne Marie, I'm his mother. And um, this has happened six months ago and it's happening again" (00:26).

Furthermore, Anne Marie explained to TPD dispatch, her son's name was Christian and,

"But he's, um Christian being aggressive" (00:49).

TPD Dispatch asked Anne Marie what Christian's last name was and Anne Marie said,

"Strassburg" (1:09).

TPD Dispatch asked Anne Marie for further identifiers of Christian. Anne Marie then interrupted the TPD Dispatcher and said,

"He's (Christian) acting really aggressive" (1:58).

TPD Dispatch asked if Christian was in possession of any guns or knives and Anne Marie stated, ***"Not that I'm aware of" (2:23).*** Additionally, TPD Dispatch asked Anne Marie if Christian had been diagnosed with any mental illness and Anne Marie replied,

"Um, I think he's schizophrenic" (2:30). I just think he (Christian) needs help, like, help right away if tell her what's going on" (3:20).

When Samantha had reached out to Anne Marie about calling law enforcement to assist with Christian, Samantha had been Facetiming Anne Marie, so Anne Marie could observe Christian's behavior and explain Christian's behaviors to TPD Dispatch. Furthermore, Anne Marie stated,

"He's (Christian) really out of control" (4:09). "The noise because I've been watching it and I can't take anymore, so he needs help" (4:19).

TPD Dispatch advised Anne Marie, they would have a crew en route to Christian's residence and the phone call ended 14:36:24.

Shortly thereafter, Anne Marie called TPD Dispatch again at 14:51:40. Anne Marie explained to TPD Dispatch, Anne Marie had called a few minutes prior and TPD Officers had not arrived at 325 River Place, Toledo, OH where Christian and Samantha lived.

Anne Marie stated,

"I (Anne Marie) called a few minutes ago and um, the police still never arrived and um, it's kind of urgent, my son (Christian) has mental problems" (00:04).

TPD Dispatch responded,

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"I do see your call on the board; however, we just have not had officers available in that area. We've had quite a few high-priority calls come in that officers have to handle first, but they will be over there as soon as they're available" (00:26).

Anne Marie replied,

"Alright, because he's (Christian) getting kind of violent and physical and he was like this six months ago" (00:38).

TPD Dispatch responded,

"Yep, we'll have them over there as soon as we can" (00:54).

At approximately 15:35:29, TPD Dispatch had called Samantha back to see if everything was ok at Samantha and Christian's house. Samantha did not say anything directly. However, a male's voice (Christian) could be heard in the background,

"You want me to hurt you" (00:06). "I wanna do that shit" (00:12).

Samantha replied,

"No" (00:14).

A male's voice (Christian) in the background is heard stating,

"I'm people and people suffer, I don't hurt, that burden shit" (00:14).

TPD Dispatch stated officers might still respond to Samantha and Christian's house. As that had been told to Samantha, a male's voice (Christian) could be heard in the background making unintelligible comments. The conversation with Samantha and TPD Dispatch then ended.

On Saturday, June 6, 2026, Mercy Health Police Department (MHPD) Central Dispatch had a Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) report which was initiated from Mercy Health-St. Charles Medical staff. It should be noted, MHPD Central Dispatch is located at the Mercy Health-St. Vincent, which is located at 2213 Cherry St., Toledo, OH 43608.

The CAD report reference number is [REDACTED], and the location is listed as: Mercy Health: St Charles Hospital South Building: 1st Floor Emergency Department.

The following excerpts are taken directly from the CAD entries as they appear on the CAD report and will be documented on the table below. All entries occurred on June 6, 2026.

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Time	Narrative
1625	ER staff called for a subject pushing subject into a vehicle. Staff advised it might have been a maroon Jeep.
1626	Officer 130 called to have Oregon PD en route. Also advised shots were fired.
1626	██████████ advised shots fired. Suspect down.

Radio Traffic Recordings

Mercy Health Police Department (MHPD) provided SA John Tingley (Tingley) the radio traffic recordings which pertained to the OCIC in the Emergency Room Parking Lot of Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital. MHPD provided eight (8) recordings (which will be listed separately) which have a time as part of the identifier; however, some of the recordings have multiple transmissions recorded on the same listed recording which will be documented individually. Accordingly, the times listed in the narrative will be the time elapsed from the beginning of the recording. The recordings will be listed as they were received from the MHPD.

1. 425 pm Dispatch to Officers.wav 00:16 in length

"Dispatch. 100 units. Can you head to the ER parking lot? We got a call from staff. They have a subject pushing another subject into a vehicle."

2. 425 pm Dispatch to Officers.wav 00:14 in length

"Dispatch. 100 units. Be advised staff also advised it's gonna be a maroon Jeep."

3. 425 pm Officers request Oregon P.D.wav. 00:41 in length

"We got shots fired. Shots fired." (00:06)

██████████ Dispatch. Shots fired. Shots fired." (00:13)

"I have a suspect down. One." (00:41)

██████████ Dispatch. Send me Oregon." (00:36)

4. 428 pm Bartson to Dispatch going into ED. wav 00:07 in length

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No relevant information related to the OICI.

5. 429 pm Bartson to Dispatch close the air.wav 00:05 in length

No relevant information related to the OICI.

6. 431 pm [REDACTED] to Dispatch more units.wav 00:05 in length

No relevant information related to the OICI.

7. 446 pm Bartson to Dispatch subject in room 6.wav 00:14 in length

No relevant information related to the OICI.

8. 457 pm Dispatch to Bartson. Lockdown and EMS diversion.wav 00:42 in length

No relevant information related to the OICI.

MHPD Dispatch provided eleven (11) recordings (which will be listed separately) which have a time as part of the identifier. However, some of the recordings have multiple conversations recorded on the same listed recording which will be documented. The recordings will be listed as they were received from the MHPD.

1. 425 pm Initial Call from Registration.wav 00:12 in length

Caller

"Um, we need, um, security over in, in, to the parking lot in the ER please."

Dispatch

"What's going on?"

Caller

"Um, someone is shoving, um, a person in the car."

2. 425 pm Dispatch verifies details with caller.wav 00:14 in length

Dispatch (calling back to the original caller for more details)

"I got Officers en route to that area. Do you have a description of a vehicle or anything like that?"

Original Caller

"Uh, it's like a maroon Jeep situation and the guy's wearing like a black and white polo t-shirt and shorts."

3. 428 pm Chapa to Dispatch Clarification.wav 00:14

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4. 429 pm Dispatch Failed call to 911.wav 00:25

No relevant information related to the OICI.

5. 431 pm Dispatch to 911 and Lt. Wirick.wav 01:32

911 Dispatch

"Dispatch. Jay Speaking."

"Dispatch. Jay Speaking."

"Hello. This is Craig with Mercy Dispatch. I need to report, I have, uh, shots fired at St. Charles Hospital on 2600 Navarre Avenue, and I have a suspect down."

6. 433 pm Dispatch overheads pages active shooter.wav 00:17 in length

No relevant information related to the OICI.

7. 439 pm Stribrny-Kiefer to Dispatch.wav 00:43 in length

Stribrny-Kiefer

shot."

Dispatch

"Okay."

Stribrny-Keifer

"He was the only one that shot..."

Dispatch

"Okay. discharged his weapon towards the suspect?"

Stribrny-Keifer

"Yes. Suspect went down. Suspect's in ER and there's a spouse that he was there with..."

8. 442 pm Chapa to Dispatch.wav 01:47 in length

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9. 446 pm Wirick to Dispatch.wav 00:15 in length

No relevant information related to the OICI.

10. 446 pm Wirick to Dispatch.wav 01:53 in length

No relevant information related to the OICI.

11. 454 pm Bartson to Dispatch.wav 00:15 in length

No relevant information related to the OICI.

Witness Officer Interviews

Officer Brett Bartson

On Tuesday, June 23, 2026, at 1030 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Douglas Burke (SA Burke) and SA John Tingley (SA Tingley) interviewed Mercy Health Police Department (MHPD) Officer (Ofc.) Brett Bartson (Bartson), who was accompanied, via Teams, by his attorneys, Brandon Santos and Mike Herring, from the McGuire, Woods Law Firm from Richmond Virginia. Also in attendance was Mercy Health Protective Services and Operations Director Everitt Werley. The interview took place at Mercy – St Vincent's Hospital located at 2213 Cherry Street, Toledo, Ohio. The interview was audio recorded only at the request of Officer Bartson's Attorneys.

Ofc. Bartson was identified as being a police officer who witnessed and/or had some level of involvement in the June 6, 2026, Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) which occurred in the area of 2600 Navarre Avenue, Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio. Reportedly, Ofc. Bartson did not discharge a firearm during the course of the incident.

Ofc. Bartson was then given the BCI Criminal Investigation Notification Form which was read to him by SA Burke as he followed along. Ofc. Bartson then stated that he understood and signed and dated the form.

Ofc. Bartson began his narration and stated his radio call sign on June 6, 2026, was 30. He has been employed by the MHPD for about five (5) years. He has been a police officer for a total of six (6) years. During the incident, Officer Bartson wore his standard police uniform with shoulder patches. He also wore an external ballistic vest, with his badge attached, and duty belt. He considered himself to be well-represented as a police officer during the incident. He stated he was not under the influence of any substance that would impair his memory or judgment during the incident or during the interview with BCI. He does wear corrective lenses.

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During the OICI, Ofc. Bartson was wearing a Body Worn Camera (BWC) which was activated during the OICI. Ofc. Bartson did not have any other audio, video, or audio and video recording devices with him during the incident. When asked by SA Burke, Ofc. Bartson stated that he had not watched his BWC or any other video of the OICI.

Ofc. Bartson said that MHPD – St Charles Hospital Officers were notified by MHPD Central Dispatch (located at Mercy – St Vincents Hospital) of a disturbance in the Emergency Room (ER) parking lot in which a subject was being pushed into a vehicle by another subject.

Ofc. Bartson continued moving towards the location of the incident while walking at a fast pace. However, when Ofc. Bartson got to the ramp leading to the exit doors, he looked out the glass (which had clear visibility to the ER parking lot) and saw [REDACTED] out with a subject and [REDACTED] had his duty weapon in his hand pointed at the subject (later identified as Christian Strassburg). Ofc. Bartson then drew his duty weapon and began running down the ramp towards the exit doors.

Ofc. Bartson continued and said that he was just exiting the hospital when [REDACTED] fired multiple rounds.

When asked, Ofc. Bartson stated that he was not close enough to hear what was being said outside. Ofc. Bartson then said:

“But what I could see was the individual, um, you know, closing in on [REDACTED] and what did not appear to be, you know, a friendly manner. Um, he did have his, his one hand...it looked like he was holding something.” (14:12 mark of the recording)

SA Burke then asked Ofc. Bartson what he did once he got outside and in the area of the incident. Ofc. Bartson replied that he began giving commands to Samantha Binkley (Samantha), Christian's girlfriend/partner, while moving towards the incident location. Once at the scene, Ofc. Bartson checked with [REDACTED] and was notified by [REDACTED] that the other people in the area were not a threat.

Ofc. Bartson then escorted Samantha to a bench which was set against the wall outside of the ER. Once Christian was moved into the ER, [REDACTED] ordered Ofc. Bartson to go into the ER and be near the treatment room where Christian had been taken.

SA Burke asked if Officer Bartson had heard Strassburg make any comments or statements. Officer Bartson replied,

“I couldn't make anything out.” (17:51 mark of the recording)

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SA Burke then asked if Officer Bartson was familiar with Strassburg. Officer Bartson said,

"...I have no idea who this guy is." (20:17 mark of the recording)

Attorney Herring asked Officer Bartson if he had seen [REDACTED] moving during the incident. Officer Bartson responded,

"He was taking some steps back, yes." (21:14 mark of the recording)

SA Burke then asked what it looked like as Strassburg was approaching [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Officer Bartson stated,

"I would've interpreted it from, from what I could see, I would interpret it as being, uh, you know, hostile. His intentions appeared hostile." 21:33 mark of the recording)

Attorney Herring then asked if Officer Bartson had observed Strassburg comply with [REDACTED] commands or stop his hostile behavior. Officer Bartson replied,

"Uh, at no point could I perceive anything that would indicate that he was retreating or complying...He was moving forward when being shot as well." (22:19 mark of the recording)

SA Burke then asked if officer Bartson could give an approximate distance that was between [REDACTED] and Strassburg at the time of the OICI. Officer Bartson said,

"I, I'd say well under twenty (20) feet, so probably in that you, 15..." (23:54 mark of the recording)

Security Officer Nicole Stibrny-Keifer

On Tuesday, June 23, 2026, at 1030 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Douglas Burke (SA Burke) and SA John Tingley (SA Tingley) interviewed Mercy Health Police Department (MHPD) Security Officer (Ofc.) Nicole Stibrny-Keifer (Stibrny-Kiefer), who was accompanied, via Teams, by her attorneys, Brandon Santos and Mike Herring, from the McGuire, Woods Law Firm from Richmond Virginia. Also in attendance was Mercy Health Protective Services and Operations Director Everitt Werley. The interview took place at Mercy Health - St Vincent's Hospital located at 2213 Cherry Street, Toledo, Ohio. The interview was audio recorded only at the request of Security Officer Stibrny-Kiefer's Attorneys.

Security Officer (S.O.) Stibrny-Kiefer was identified as being a security officer who witnessed and/or had some level of involvement in the June 6, 2026, Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) shooting which occurred in the area of 2600 Navarre Avenue,

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Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio. The purpose of the interview was to obtain all relevant information about the incident known or observed by this security officer.

S.O. Stribrny-Kiefer was given the BCI Criminal Investigation Notification Form which was read to her by SA Burke as she followed along. S.O. Stribrny-Kiefer then stated that she understood and signed and dated the form.

S.O. Stribrny-Keifer stated her radio call sign on June 6, 2026, was 90. She has been employed by the Mercy Health Hospital Security Unit for about three (3) years. She has been within the Security field for a total of twenty-six (26) years. During the incident, S.O. Stribrny-Keifer wore her standard Mercy Health Security uniform with a metal badge affixed to it. She also wore a duty belt. She considered herself to be well-represented as a S.O. during the incident and stated that she was wearing a Body Worn Camera (BWC) which was activated during the incident. She stated she was not under the influence of any substance that would impair her memory or judgment during the incident or during the interview with BCI.

S.O. Stribrny-Keifer then began her statement on her recollections of the incident. S.O. Stribrny-Keifer said that MHPD – St. Charles Hospital Officers were notified by MPD Central Dispatch (located at Mercy Health – St Vincent's Hospital) of a disturbance in the Emergency Room (ER) parking lot in which a subject was being pushed into a vehicle by another subject.

S.O. Stribrny-Keifer then stated:

"Saw that [REDACTED] engaging with an individual...at that point I saw that [REDACTED] had his firearm out and he was issuing commands..." (12:40 mark of the recording)

S.O. Stribrny-Keifer continued and said:

"Um, at that point saw subject rapidly approaching [REDACTED]...the individual did not listen to [REDACTED] commands... [REDACTED] fired." (12:59 mark of the recording)

SA Burke then asked S.O. Stribrny-Keifer what [REDACTED] actions were when he was giving commands. S.O. Stribrny-Keifer replied:

"He was a couple feet out the door. Um, he had already had his weapon drawn and was issuing commands." (14:14 mark of the recording)

SA Burke then asked if the subject was obeying or complying with the commands being given by [REDACTED]. S.O. Stribrny-Keifer responded,

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"He was not." (14:43 mark of the recording)

SA Burke then asked how many shots she heard were being fired by [REDACTED]. S.O. Stribrny-Keifer stated that she did not recall.

SA Burke continued and asked if there was a manner in which Strassburg was approaching [REDACTED]. S. O. Stribrny-Keifer replied,

"He was just moving very quickly towards him..." (16:39 mark of the recording)

SA Burke then asked if she had spoken to anyone else present in the parking lot other than Christian's girlfriend/partner.

S.O. Stribrny-Keifer said that she contacted two people in separate vehicles to check and make sure they were okay and to ask them to stand by and wait for investigators to arrive.

SA Tingley then asked S.O. Stribrny-Keifer if Christian received first aid and if so from whom and how quickly. S.O. Stribrny-Keifer stated,

"Uh, he did receive, ER was coming out with a stretcher, and they put him on the stretcher and were working on him." (24:33 mark of the recording)

SA Tingley then asked if it was the trained medical staff/personnel from the ER who provide first aid. Security Officer Stribrny-Kiefer replied,

"Yes." (24:47 mark of the recording)

SA Tingley finished by asking how quickly medical aid was given to Strassburg. Security Officer Stribrny-Kiefer responded,

"It seemed pretty, pretty quick." (12:49 mark of the recording)

Involved-Officer Interview

[REDACTED] Unit # [REDACTED]

On Friday, June 26, 2026, at approximately 1018 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Douglas Burke (SA Burke) and SA John Tingley (SA Tingley) interviewed Mercy Health Police Department (MHPD) Officer, [REDACTED] who was accompanied by his attorney, Michael Herring and Brandon Santos, from McGuire/Woods Law Firm from Richmond, VA. Director of Protective Services (DPS) over operations for Bons Secours Mercy Health, Everett Wherly (Everett), was also present during the interview of [REDACTED]. The interview took place on the 4th Floor of a Conference Room, at 2409 Cherry St., Toledo, OH, 43608,

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Mercy Health-St. Vincent's Hospital. The interview was audio recorded and was requested by [REDACTED] legal representation not to be video recorded.

SA Burke read [REDACTED] the BCI Criminal Investigation Notification form. When SA Burke concluded the reading of this form to [REDACTED] signed and dated the BCI Criminal Notification Form without incident in the presence of Atty.'s Michael Herring and Brandon Santos. SA Burke then signed the BCI Notification Form as a witness.

SA Burke asked [REDACTED] if he had watched or reviewed any of his Body Worn Camera (BWC) which pertained to the Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) which took place just outside of the Emergency Room (ER), in the parking lot of Mercy Health St. Charles Hospital on Saturday, June 6, 2026. [REDACTED] stated he had not watched or reviewed any of the BWC Footage which pertained to the OICI on Saturday, June 6, 2026. It should be noted that [REDACTED] patrol duties on that date had been foot patrol throughout the hospital and was not assigned to a marked Mercy Health Patrol Cruiser.

SA Burke asked [REDACTED] how he received information about a possible disturbance in the parking lot, just outside of the Emergency Room (ER). [REDACTED] stated it had come over the radio from Mercy Health Police Department (MHPD) Dispatch,

"About a woman getting shoved into a vehicle by someone, something to that effect" (18:34).

[REDACTED] stated at the time of being dispatched to the parking lot just outside of the ER Entrance, [REDACTED] had been sitting in [REDACTED] office inside of the hospital. SA Burke asked [REDACTED] if MHPD Dispatch had updated [REDACTED] while enroute to the parking lot on foot. [REDACTED] stated,

"When I exited the building and into the parking lot, they gave a vehicle color. I believe they said it was a maroon vehicle" (19:20).

SA Burke asked [REDACTED] if he had responded to similar situations or disturbances at the hospital while conducting [REDACTED] normal patrol duties. [REDACTED] stated he had and his priorities are to try and attempt to speak with the individuals and to,

"Maintain the safety of life and other and de-escalate the situation to try and figure out what's going on" (20:00).

SA Burke asked [REDACTED] if he was familiar with Christian. [REDACTED] stated he was not familiar with Christian and had never dealt with him.

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██████████ explained he had been inside of his office within Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital which is located near the Emergency Room (ER) Department. Mercy Health Central Dispatch (MHCD) which is located at Mercy Health-St. Vincent's Hospital, 2409 Cherry St., Toledo, OH notified Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital Campus Police Officers about a disturbance in the parking lot just outside of the ER Entrance. ██████████ left his office on foot and while he was enroute to the location he had been further advised by MHCD,

"Someone trying to shove someone else into a vehicle" (1:07).

██████████ further explained he had obtained a vehicle description from MHCD of the involved-subjects being in a maroon vehicle and upon exiting the ER entrance doors and entering the parking lot ██████████ observed the maroon vehicle where the involved-subjects were located. Upon entering the parking lot and observing the suspected vehicle, ██████████ noticed suspected involved subjects at the described vehicle. ██████████ advised MHCD that he was on scene and activated his Body Worn Camera (BWC) at that time.

After activating his BWC, ██████████ stated,

"To try to deescalate the situation and get the attention of the possible suspect on me. I could visually see, uh, two people um, believed to be in some sort of altercation. I couldn't make out if it was physical, but it was definitely verbal. I yelled out to the suspect" (2:05).



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██████████ noted that Samantha had been sitting in the driver's seat of the of the maroon vehicle with the driver's side door open and Christian had been standing outside of the opened driver's side door in front of the Samantha. ██████████ stated again,

"I wanted to deescalate the situation, try to get his attention on me. I called out to him. He immediately said something to the effect of fuck you. Um I then called out again, and um a similar response. He said something to the effect of rent-a-cop motherfucker" (2:45).



****(Figure #7, marker above, from ██████████ BWC attempting to make contact with Christian standing outside of the maroon vehicle and Samantha sitting in the driver's seat with the door.)***

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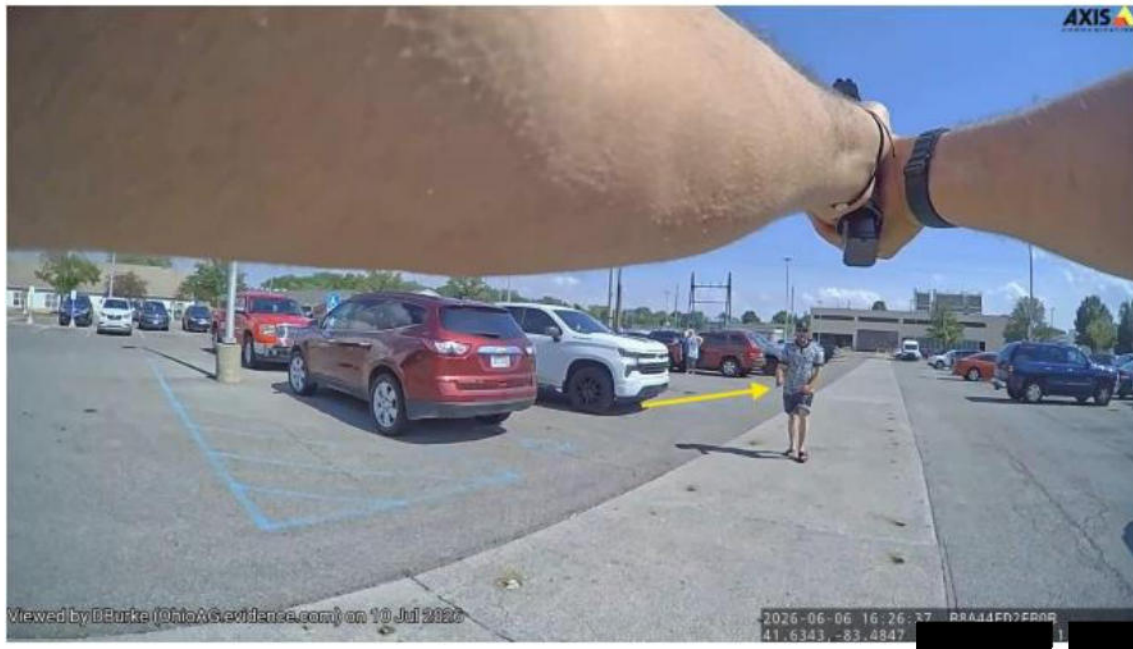
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████████ further stated,

"To which he turned and started walking coming towards me. Shortly after he started coming my way, um, I identified a weapon in a closed fist of his hand. Uh, that's when I drew my service weapon out and direct pointed it at him (Christian)"
(3:06).



(Figure #8, marker above, from ██████████ BWC, ██████████ service weapon drawn, Christian walking in an aggressive manner towards ██████████ with a closed-handed fist, holding a suspected weapon.)

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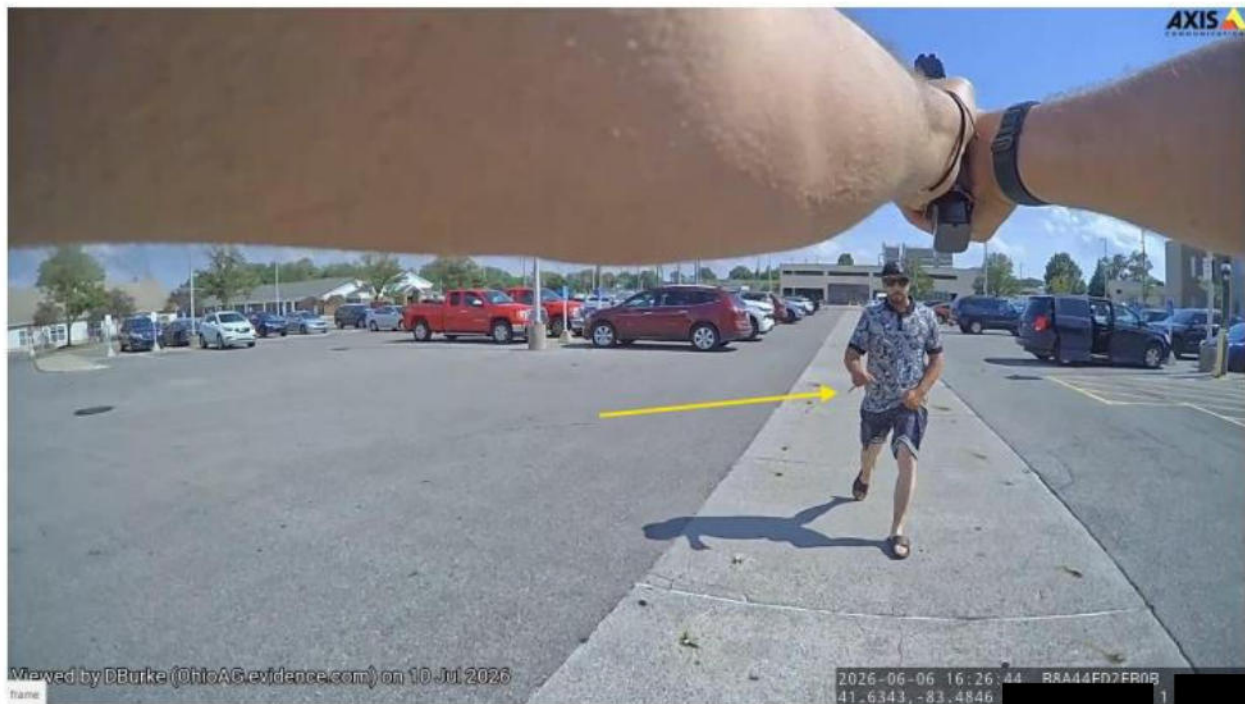
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██████████ stated that he continued to walk backwards from Christian and he had veered to his left so ██████████ was not in the line of the possible victim's (Samatha's) car. ██████████ stated,

"At this point, I be he, the suspect picked up his pace coming at me with a weapon in hand. Um, I started backing up and I got to the point where he was getting close to me. I was, my back was to the sidewalk where there's a large curb, pillars, and a wall. He continued to advance on me. I gave him commands to stop and drop the weapon. I know he was yelling at me at the time, too. I don't recall exactly what he was saying. As I backed up, I was backing up, I knew I was running out of room, running out of options. He wasn't listening to my commands. He still was advancing on me. I distinctly seeing a pointed weapon in his closed fist. Then I discharged my firearm at him five (5) times until he stopped coming at me" (3:43).



(Figure #9, marker above, from ██████████'s BWC, Christian continued to aggressively walk towards ██████████ as ██████████ continued to give orders "stop, don't move, put the knife down." Christian continued to call ██████████ a motherfucker.)

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(Figure #10, marker above, from [REDACTED]'s BWC, first (1st) of seven (7) shots fired at Christian with suspected weapon in Christian's right-handed, closed fist, as Christian advance towards [REDACTED] not obeying commands.)

After the incident had occurred, [REDACTED] stated Samantha was, **"very distraught"** and at some point, said,

"He's (Christian) having a mental health crisis" (5:26).

SA Burke asked [REDACTED] if he had rendered aid to Christian immediately following the OICI. [REDACTED] stated he did not immediately render aid due to making sure the scene was safe with other subjects in the parking lot, not immediately knowing if the other subjects in the parking lot were associated with Christian. Once the other subjects in the parking lot were not deemed as any further threat, [REDACTED] noticed medical personnel had come outside from the ER to start rendering aid to Christian. [REDACTED] checked Christian's person for weapons and did not locate any weapons on Christian's person. At that point, Christian was placed onto a gurney and taken into the ER to be treated for gunshot wounds. Shortly thereafter, Christian had succumbed in the ER of Mercy Health-St. Charles from the gunshot wounds.

SA Burke asked [REDACTED] if he had any sort of optics on [REDACTED]'s service weapon. [REDACTED] stated he did not have any sort of optics on his service weapon,

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adding that his point-of-aim would have been through his mounted iron sites of his service weapon. The only added piece of equipment would have been a Stream Light Tactical Light. SA Burke asked [REDACTED] what his point of aim was at the time of the OICI. [REDACTED] stated his point-of-aim had been center mass of Christian.

SA Burke asked [REDACTED] what he believed to be the distance between himself and Christian at the time of the OICI. [REDACTED] replied,

"Maybe ten (10) feet" (7:34).

SA Burke asked [REDACTED] if he could recall what Christian had specifically been saying to [REDACTED] about ***"shooting"*** Christian or Christian having a weapon on Christian's person. [REDACTED] said,

"Vaguely, I can't recall anything specific, but I know he (Christian) was yelling at me" (8:02).

Furthermore, SA Burke asked [REDACTED] if he feared for his safety/life and the safety of others at the hospital as [REDACTED] had been walking backwards, away from Christian, as Christian continued walking in an aggressive manner towards [REDACTED] closing the distance between [REDACTED] and Christian. [REDACTED] replied,

"Yes" (8:35). That's the only reason I [REDACTED] pulled the trigger because I thought he (Christian) was going to stab me" (8:37).

SA Burke asked [REDACTED] what weapon [REDACTED] believed Christian had in Christian's hand. [REDACTED] stated,

"A knife" (8:51).

SA Burke asked [REDACTED], if [REDACTED] had ordered Christian to ***"drop the knife."*** [REDACTED] replied,

"Yes, sir" (9:06).

Furthermore, SA Burke asked [REDACTED] if he could recall which hand Christian had the suspected weapon in and [REDACTED] said,

"Believe it was his (Christian's) right hand" (9:17).

SA Burke asked [REDACTED] if [REDACTED]'s actions, which were carried out during the OICI, were consistent with [REDACTED]'s training due to Christian not complying to [REDACTED]'s commands and having a suspected weapon in Christian's hands. [REDACTED] said,

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"Yes, I do" (9:45).

SA Burke asked [REDACTED] if he had experienced any tunnel vision or distortion during the OICI. [REDACTED] replied,

"Yeah. When he was coming at me, the only thing I could really see was him, that's the only thing I was focused on was him. And then, um, it felt right after I discharged my weapon, uh, waiting for medical staff and additional units to respond, it felt like an eternity" (11:18).

SA Burke asked [REDACTED] if he reacted within the guidelines of MHPD's Use of Force Policy. [REDACTED] said,

"Yes, I did" (11:59).

Attorney Michael Herring wanted it documented through [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] had believed Christian also made a comment to [REDACTED] stating,

"I [REDACTED] believe he (Christian) said something to the effect of rent-a-cop motherfucker" (12:49).

SA Tingley asked [REDACTED] how far [REDACTED] felt the distance had been between himself and Christian, upon making initial verbal contact with Christian. [REDACTED] replied,

"Two (2) to three (3) car lengths" (13:12).

SA Tingley stated that was a good distance initially between [REDACTED] and Christian. [REDACTED] stated,

"Yes, sir. I tried to give him (Christian) as much opportunity to comply with my [REDACTED]'s commands" (13:15).

SA Burke followed up with [REDACTED] as [REDACTED] continued to walk backwards, Christian continued to not comply with commands to drop the suspected knife and did not comply with the commands to stop walking towards [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] stated,

"That was correct" (13:41).



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Involved Officer – [REDACTED]

Mercy Health Police Department [REDACTED] AXIS BWC Review which had been activated at approximately 16:26:14 hours on Saturday, June 6, 2026, in reference to the OICI involving Christian Strassburg

The following information is a comprehensive summary of the Body Worn Camera (BWC) which had been provided by Mercy Health Police Department (MHPD).

- 16:26:14 mark, [REDACTED] activated his BWC upon entering Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital Emergency Room Parking Lot.
- 16:26:22 mark, [REDACTED] attempting to make contact with Christian stating *"Hey hold up boss."*



(Figure #11, marker above, [REDACTED] recognized male (Christian) and female (Samantha) at the maroon jeep arguing and [REDACTED] attempting to get Christian's attention.)

- 16:26:26 mark, Christian stated, *"Ok, shoot at me bitch."*

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- 16:26:27 mark, [REDACTED] asked Christian, ***"What's going on?"***
- 16:26:29 mark, Christian yelled to [REDACTED], ***"Shut the fuck up, fucking cop bitch, you want me to shoot you right now."***
- 16:26:34 mark, [REDACTED] withdrew his service weapon from the holster after Christian threatened to shoot [REDACTED]. Christian continued walking towards [REDACTED]. Samantha yelling at Christian in the background, ***"Christian no, stop."***



(Figure #12, marker above, [REDACTED] unholstered his service weapon after Christian threatened to shoot [REDACTED]. Christian walking towards [REDACTED] as Samatha telling Christian to "stop." [REDACTED]'s trigger finger on outside of trigger guard.)

- 16:26:31 mark, Christian continued to advance towards [REDACTED] from driver's side door of maroon jeep. Christian had increased Christian's pace, walking aggressively towards [REDACTED] and started to close the distance between Christian and [REDACTED] as [REDACTED] continued to walk backwards.
- 16:26:35 mark, [REDACTED] told Christian, ***"Don't move, Stop, Don't move."***
- 16:26:38 mark, Christian yelled to [REDACTED], ***"Ain't nobody fucking moving."***

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(Figure #13, marker above, ██████ noticed suspected weapon in Christian's right hand. ██████ in ready position to engage imminent threat Christian had been presenting.)

- 16:26:39 mark, ██████ continued to tell Christian, ***"Stop, stop, Put the knife down. Put the knife down,"*** as Christian continued to close the distance between Christian and ██████. Christian has closed right hand, in possession of some sort of object.
- 16:42:41 mark, ██████ yelled, ***"Put the blade down."***

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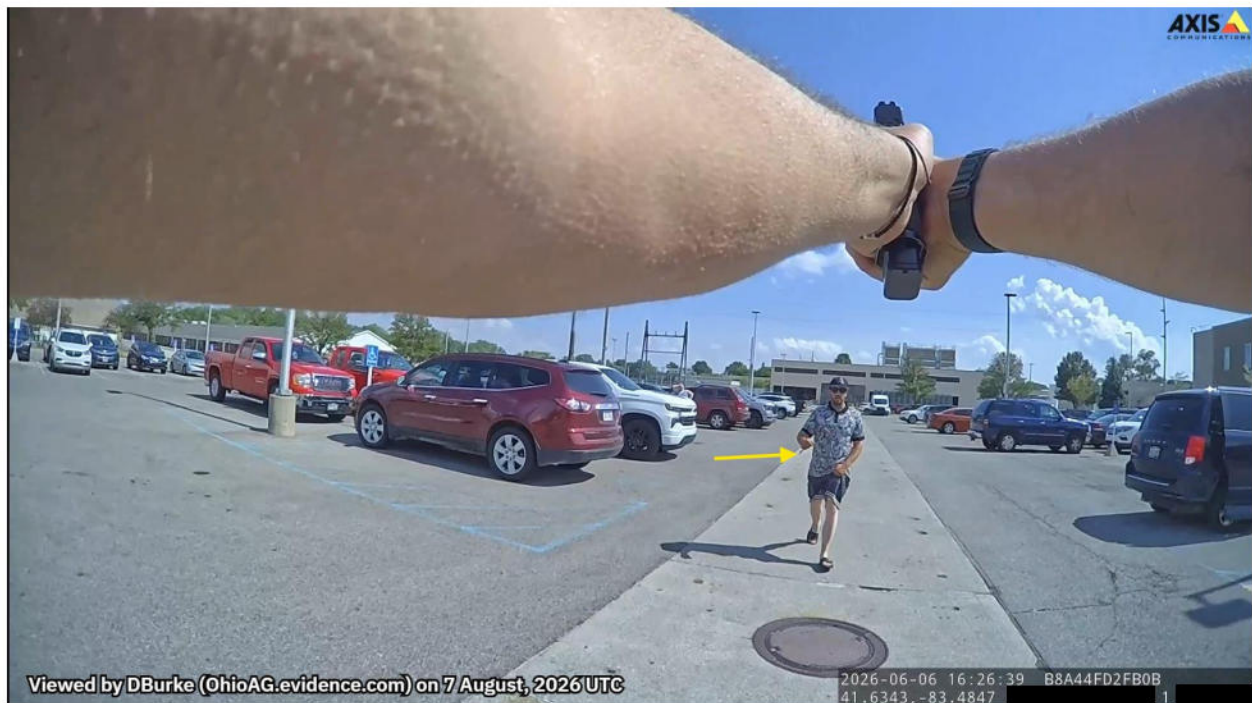


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- 16:26:43 mark, [REDACTED], ***"Put the knife down."*** Christian replied, ***"Fuck you motherfucker."***



(Figure #14, marker above, Christian further closed the distance between Christian and [REDACTED] as [REDACTED] continued to back up.)

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(Figure #15, marker above, Christian continued to further advance aggressively towards [REDACTED] with suspected weapon in Christian's right hand, with Christian not complying to orders being directed to Christian.)

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(Figure #16, above marker, First (1st) of seven (7) rounds fired from [REDACTED]'s service weapon at Christian. Casing ejecting from chamber of [REDACTED]'s service weapon.)

- 16:26:44 mark, [REDACTED] fired first (1st) of seven (7) rounds at Christian simultaneously, striking Christian and Christian falls to the ground.
- 16:26:46 mark, Seventh (7th) (final round) of seven (7) rounds fired at Christian by [REDACTED].
- 16:26:53 mark, [REDACTED] radioed to MHPD, "**dispatch shots fired, shots fired.**"
- 16:27:02 mark, [REDACTED] radioed to dispatch, "**I have one suspect down.**"
- 16:27:09 mark, Samantha yelled at [REDACTED], "**All he had was a pen.**"
- 16:27:19 mark, [REDACTED] requested Oregon Police Department (OPD) to respond to Mercy Health-St. Charles.
- 16:27:50 mark, [REDACTED] told Ofc. Bartson, "**I thought that gray, I thought that gray tip was a knife.**"
- 16:28:42 mark, Mercy Health-St. Charles medical personnel from Emergency Room arrived and began treating Christian.
- 16:29:18 mark, [REDACTED] stated to S.O. Stribrny-Kiefer, "**Why didn't he stop.**"

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(Figure #17, marker above, medical personnel from Mercy Health-St. Charles Emergency Room begin to render aid (CPR) on Christian)

- 16:34:17 mark, the first (1st) OPD Ofc. arrived on scene.

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Witness Officer – Security Officer Stribrny-Keifer

Mercy Health Security Ofc. Stribrny-Keifer AXIS BWC Review which had been activated at approximately 16:26:30 hours on Saturday, June 6, 2026, in reference to the OICI involving Christian Strassburg.



(Figure #18, marker above, MH S.O. Stribrny-Kiefer exiting ER Entrance {double sliding doors still opening} of Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital to ER Parking Lot. [REDACTED] to the left of concrete pillar overhang.)

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- **16:26:43 mark**, sliding doors of Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital ER entrance opened to ER Parking Lot. **Unintelligible yelling** taking place between [REDACTED] and Christian.



(Figure # 19, marker above, [REDACTED] continuing to walk backwards, Christian's right leg is observed from behind concrete pillar. First (1st) of seven (7) rounds fired simultaneously at Christian from [REDACTED]'s service weapon.

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- **16:26:44 mark**, first (1st) of seven (7) rounds fired simultaneously at Christian from [REDACTED]'s service weapon. Continued **unintelligible yelling** taking place between [REDACTED] and Christian.



(Figure #20, marker above, final shot of seven (7) rounds fired by [REDACTED] with Christian now laying in the ER Parking Lot of Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital.)

- **16:26:46 mark**, final shot of seven (7) rounds fired by [REDACTED] with Christian now laying in the ER Parking Lot of Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital.
- **16:26:49 mark**, MHPD Ofc. Brett Barston (Bartson) entered ER Parking lot ordering other bystanders in ER Parking Lot (Samantha included) to make sure no other bystanders presented a threat.
- **16:26:55 mark**, Security Ofc. Stribrny-Kiefer ordered Samantha to get hands up.
- **16:27:09 mark**, heard Samantha stating, ***"all he had was a fucking pen."***
- **16:27:20 mark**, overheard [REDACTED] requesting MHPD Central Dispatch to send Oregon Police Department (OPD) to the scene.
- **16:27:51 mark**, Security Ofc. Stribrny-Kiefer made contact with witness, Thomas Harmon (Thomas) in ER Parking Lot and Thomas told Security Ofc. Stribrny-Kiefer, ***"He (Christian) started in, he went back to the car and started shoving her...and then I seen him going after the cop with the knife."***

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- **16:27:59 mark**, Security Ofc. Stribrny-Kiefer asked Thomas to stay in the ER Parking Lot to fill out a witness statement pertaining to what Thomas had observed during the OICI.
- **16:29:17 mark**, overheard [REDACTED] state, ***"why didn't he (Christian) stop."***

Witness Officer – Officer Brett Bartson

Mercy Health Police Department Ofc. Brett Bartson AXIS BWC Review which had been activated at approximately 16:26:30 hours on Saturday, June 6, 2026, in reference to the OICI involving Christian Strassburg. It should be noted, Ofc. Bartson arrived in the Mercy Health-St. Charles Emergency Room Parking Lot immediately following the OICI.

- **16:26:42 mark**, Ofc. Bartson radioed, ***"get Oregon moving here."***
- **16:26:44 mark**, overheard gunfire on Ofc. Bartson's BWC
- **16:26:46 mark**, Ofc. Bartson entered Mercy Health-St. Charles ER Parking Lot
- **16:26:47 mark**, Ofc. Bartson, ***"we got shots fired, shots fired."***
- **16:26:57 mark**, Ofc. Bartson ordered Samantha, ***"stop."***
- **16:27:06 mark**, Samantha started yelling, ***"all he (Christian) had was a fucking pen." "I tried to tell you he (Christian) was manic."***
- **16:27:42 mark**, Samantha stated, ***"I was trying to get him (Christian) inside so I could get him committed."***
- **16:27:52 mark**, [REDACTED] told Ofc. Bartson, ***"I thought that gray tip was a knife."***
- **16:30:27 mark**, Ofc. Bartson asked Samantha, ***"So what brought you guys here today?"***
- **16:30:40 mark**, Samantha said, ***"I was bringing him in because he was having a mental breakdown and I was trying to get him back in help. He is schizophrenic and he had, was a pin in his hand and he was walking because he was mad I had brought him here."***
- **16:33:26 mark**, Ofc. Bartson staged outside of ER Room number (#) six (6) where Christian was being treated for gunshot wounds from the OICI.

Life Saving measures had been given to Christian shortly after the OICI. During Christian's treatment, Christian remained unconscious and did not make any further comments. Christian had been placed onto a gurney by Mercy Health-St. Charles medical staff and immediately taken to Emergency Room #6 for further treatment before succumbing to the gunshot wounds which Christian received in the OICI.

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Cell Phone Cellebrite Extraction

On Thursday, June 11, 2026, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Douglas Burke (Burke) obtained a Consent to Search Form signature from Samantha Binkley (Samantha) to execute a search for a Black Samsung Android 14, Galaxy A23 5G Cell Phone belonging to Samatha; however, had been utilized by Samatha's boyfriend, Christian Strassburg (Christian) with BCI Matrix Evidence Number 017, P00020-1048202. This would have been in reference to the Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) involving Christian on Saturday, June 6, 2026, in the Emergency Room Parking Lot of Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital in Oregon, OH. The Samsung Android 14, Galaxy A23 5G Cell Phone was provided to the Ohio BCI Cyber Unit (CCU) on June 11, 2026, to perform and execute a physical extraction of the data on the Samsung Android 14, Galaxy A23 5G Cell Phone. Throughout the initial investigation, Samantha told SA Burke the passcode to the Samsung Android 14, Galaxy A23 5G Cell Phone was [REDACTED].

An extraction and parsing report had been authored by CCU Computer Forensic Specialist (CFS) Natasha Branam (Branam) on Monday, June 29, 2026. Criminal Intelligence Analyst (CIU) Beth Dailey (Dailey) also provided SA Burke with a Cyber Report on July 21, 2026. The following items were of importance found in the review of the Samsung Android 14, Galaxy A23 5G Cell Phone.

- The report lists the Samsung Android 14, Galaxy A23 5G Cell Phone as [REDACTED]. This was the phone number associated Christian and Samantha.
- The following google accounts associated with Christian and Samantha's phone were cstrassburg90@gmail.com
- CIU Analyst Dailey researched data content which pertained to Mental Health, Suicide, Violence Towards Law Enforcement, Weapons (Firearms). There had been no content which pertained to Suicide, Violence Towards Law Enforcement, or Weapons (Firearms) located within the data of the phone.
- Christian and Samantha had been sending Instant Messages about Christian's Behavior/Mental Health status.

Conclusion

On Saturday, June 6, 2026, Mercy Health Police Department (MHPD) was dispatched to the Emergency Room (ER) parking area outside Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital, 2600 Navarre Ave., Oregon, OH due to a disturbance between a male, Christian Strassburg (Christian) and a female, Samantha Binkley (Samantha) in a maroon jeep.

MHPD [REDACTED], MHPD Ofc. Brett Bartson, and MH Security Ofc. Nicole Stribrny-Kiefer had responded to the ER parking lot on foot, as foot patrol had been

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their patrol assignments for the day at Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital. [REDACTED] was the first (1st) officer to arrive on scene in the ER Parking Lot and had attempted to gain the attention of Christian.

Upon gaining the attention of Christian, Christian had started to make comments towards [REDACTED] such as **"shoot at me bitch."** [REDACTED] indicated his first (1st) thought was to de-escalate the situation with Christian. [REDACTED] then asked, **"what's going on."** Christian replied, **"shut the fuck up, fucking cop, you want me to shoot you."** Christian then started walking at a fast pace towards [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] had yelled towards Christian, **"stop don't move, don't move,"** as [REDACTED] started to walk backwards from Christian, Christian continued to walk towards [REDACTED] in an aggressive manner. Christian replied, **"ain't nobody moving."** [REDACTED] again yelled to Christian, **"stop, stop, put the knife down,"** with [REDACTED] continuously retreating (walking backwards) from Christian.

Christian called [REDACTED] a **"motherfucker"** as Christian continued to walk aggressively towards [REDACTED], not obeying [REDACTED]'s orders to **"stop."** Christian continued to close the distance between the two (2), with [REDACTED] continuing to walk backwards and away from Christian. [REDACTED] again told Christian to, **"put the knife down."**

[REDACTED] had retreated to the point where [REDACTED] thought Christian was too close to [REDACTED]. Furthermore, [REDACTED] stated, **"my back was to the sidewalk where there's a large curb, pillars, and a wall. He continued to advance on me. I gave him commands to stop and drop the weapon. I know he was yelling at me at the time, too. I don't recall exactly what he was saying. As I backed up, I was backing up, I knew I was running out of room, running out of options. He wasn't listening to my commands. He still was advancing on me. I distinctly seeing a pointed weapon in his closed fist. Then I discharged my firearm at him five (5) times until he stopped coming at me."**

From the time [REDACTED] had made initial contact with Christian at approximately the **16:26:22 mark** and when the last fired round from [REDACTED]'s service weapon at Christian, at approximately the **16:26:46 mark** had been approximately **twenty-four (24) seconds**. At approximately the **16:26:31 mark**, Christian started to walk aggressively towards [REDACTED], with [REDACTED] discharging the first (1st) of seven (7) rounds from [REDACTED]'s service weapon at Christian at approximately the **16:26:44 mark**. From that time frame of Christian starting to walk aggressively towards [REDACTED], with Christian not complying with [REDACTED]'s orders of either **"Stop," "Don't Move," or "Put the Knife Down,"** then [REDACTED] discharging [REDACTED]'s first (1st) of seven (7) rounds at Christian had been approximately **thirteen**

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(13) seconds. Within those approximate **thirteen (13) seconds**, [REDACTED] had ordered Christian to either **"Stop," "Don't Move," or "Put the Knife Down"** on **nine (9)** separate occasions, with Christian failing to comply with any and all orders given by [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] stated the reason [REDACTED] had fired his service weapon at Christian had been due to Christian closing the distance between the two (2) and thought Christian, **"was going to stab me."** [REDACTED] knew where he was retreating (walking backwards) in the ER parking lot. [REDACTED] indicated he retreated (walked backwards) to the point of almost being underneath the ER entrance doors overhang. Furthermore, [REDACTED] knew he moved closer to the entrance doors of the ER and did not want Christian to make his way inside the hospital knowing Christian had been in possession of a weapon, suspected knife. With the way Christian had been carrying the suspected weapon in Christian's right hand, with a closed-fist, walking aggressively and not obeying [REDACTED]'s orders to **"Stop, Don't Move, and Put the Knife Down,"** [REDACTED] had presumed the suspected weapon to be a knife and Christian to be an imminent threat to [REDACTED] and the public.

At the time of [REDACTED] firing his service weapon at Christian, [REDACTED] believed the distance between himself, and Christian had been approximately ten (10) feet.

Upon [REDACTED] firing his service weapon at Christian and striking Christian, Christian immediately had fallen to the ground. Christian's significant other, Samantha had been in the parking lot at the time of the OICI and stated yelling at [REDACTED], **"All he had was a pen."** From MHPD Ofc. Bartson's BWC, Samantha was heard telling Ofc. Bartson the reason for bringing Christian to the hospital was for the following: **"I was bringing him (Christian) in because he was having a mental breakdown and I was trying to get him back in help. He is schizophrenic and he had, was a pen in his hand and he was walking because he was mad I had brought him here."**

After the OICI, [REDACTED] had told Ofc. Bartson, **"I thought that gray tip was a knife."** [REDACTED] told Ofc. Bartson and Security Ofc. Stribrny-Kiefer, **"why didn't he (Christian) stop."**

A witness, Thomas Harmon (Thomas) who had been inside Thomas' car of the Mercy Health-St. Charles Hospital Parking Lot at the time of the OICI had told Mercy Health Security Ofc. Stribrny-Kiefer, **"He (Christian) started in, he went back to the car and started shoving her (Samantha)...and then I seen him going after the cop with the knife."**

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The suspected knife which Christian had in Christian's right hand at the time of the OICI, was later identified as a fluorescent green body ballpoint pen with a gray and metallic colored grip and pen tip.

SA Burke had conversations with Christian's significant other, Samantha and Hayden Ramey (Hayden) who was a neighbor of Christian and Samantha's where they had lived at 325 River Place, Toledo, OH. Throughout those conversations, it was learned Christian had been dealing with mental illness for an extended period of time. [REDACTED], Ofc. Bartson, and Security Ofc. Stribrny-Kiefer had never dealt with Christian on any sort of criminal or mental illness sort of investigation.

Throughout all prior interaction between Christian and [REDACTED] before and at the time of the OICI, Christian never complied with [REDACTED] orders to **"Stop, Don't Move, or Put the Knife Down"** and to **"stop walking aggressively"** towards [REDACTED] as [REDACTED] retreated (walked backwards) from Christian. After the OICI, and once the ER Parking Lot had been rendered safe, Mercy Health Medical Staff went to the ER Parking Lot to start rendering aid to Christian. Christian was placed onto a gurney and taken into Emergency Room #6 with CPR in progress. Furthermore, Christian remained unconscious and never made any further comments once [REDACTED] had engaged Christian with [REDACTED]'s service weapon and Christian fell to the ground in the ER Parking Lot. Christian subsequently succumbed to his injuries from the OICI.

With the information and evidence gathered throughout this investigation, it was apparent Christian was struggling with mental illness.

BWC footage was reviewed and was visually/audibly consistent with the statements of the involved officers, witness officers, and civilian witnesses.

The dispatch records, dispatch recordings, and 911 calls were reviewed and visually/audibly consistent with the statements of the involved officers, witness officers, and civilian witnesses.

Contact Information

The preceding information comprises only a portion of facts and circumstances collected during the investigation of the Officer-Involved Critical Incident. For further review of specific information or documentation collected during the investigation, please refer to the individual reports and documents from which this summary was derived. Any questions regarding the content or context of the information contained in this document can be directed to the attention of Special Agent Douglas Burke. SA

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