



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



2022-1480  
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 5945 SR 48, Clearcreek  
Township, OH (L)

**Investigative Activity:** Interview with Officer  
**Involves:** Mark E. Evers (S)  
**Date of Activity:** 07/25/2022  
**Activity Location:** Clearcreek Twp. Police Department – Business – 7593 Bunnell Hill  
Road, Springboro, OH 45066  
**Author:** SA Steven Seitzman

**Narrative:**

On July 25, 2022, at 1020 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents Steven Seitzman (SA Seitzman) and Richard Ward (SA Ward) conducted an interview with Springboro Police Officer Dustin Christian (Officer Christian) regarding his involvement in the Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that took place on July 12, 2022, in Clearcreek Township. Officer Christian was identified as an officer who responded to the scene of the OICI to provide mutual aid. The interview took place at the Clearcreek Township Police Department. The interview was recorded on a handheld digital recording device.

The details below summarize the pertinent portions of the recorded interview and are not a verbatim account. Further, this report was placed in a chronology to aid the reader's overall understanding of the information elicited during the interview and may not be reflective of the actual sequencing of questions. It is suggested that the full audio recording be reviewed to clarify the content of the interview.

Officer Christian advised BCI agents that he has been employed by the Springboro Police Department (Springboro PD) for approximately fifteen years. During his employment with Springboro PD, he has served as a patrolman and a detective. He is currently assigned to the road patrol.

Regarding his involvement in the OICI, Officer Christian provided the following information:

Sometime during his shift, he heard over the Warren County police radio that Clearcreek Township police officers were dispatched to a residence on SR-48 for a domestic dispute between a male and a female. The male was said to have rammed the female's car with an ATV.

As time passed, Officer Christian heard over the police radio, "Shots fired! Officer down!" He immediately recognized the voice as Clearcreek Township Police Sergeant Nicole Cordero's

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(Officer Cordero). He responded to the scene and estimated that he arrived in less than ten minutes.

Officer Christian arrived and followed several other officers to the scene. He remembered seeing the suspect, later identified as Mark E. Evers (Evers), on the ground. At some point, he nudged Evers' body to determine his status. Evers did not move. He also saw Clearcreek Police Officer Eric Ney (Officer Ney) on the ground. He ensured that Officer Ney did not have a secondary weapon on him. He then made sure Officer Ney's equipment was organized as it was being taken off by other officers.

While other officers conducted security sweeps of the surrounding area, Officer Christian went over to Evers and stayed with him. He estimated he stood by Evers for two or three minutes. He recalled medics checking Evers for signs of life. He observed Evers "expelling gas" at that time. He believed he saw a gun near Evers but did not remember clearly. He remembered seeing a brass 9mm casing near Evers.

Officer Christian said that Springboro Police Sergeant Eric Kuhlman asked him to aid Clearcreek Township Fire District personnel with setting up a landing zone for Care Flight. He remained with Ney until Care Flight removed him.

Officer Christian assisted other officers with securing additional outbuildings. He then remained in the outer perimeter until BCI agents arrived. He did not ask Sgt. Cordero for details. He did not otherwise learn from Sgt. Cordero or other officers at the scene what happened.

The interview was concluded at 1027 hours. The audio recording is attached below.

**Attachments:**

Attachment # 01: 2022-07-25/ Springboro Police Officer Dustin Christian Interview

# **Exhibit 1**

**Included as a separate file.**