The Providence Police Department's Bureau of Criminal Identification arrived on scene and photographed the black BMW and surrounding area. Members of the Bureau of Criminal Identification subsequently seized two (2) air rifles from the interior of the vehicle.

This report will analyze the actions of the juvenile suspects, the involved Providence Police Officers, and the involved Pawtucket Police Officers during the time period between when the suspect vehicle crashed and when the three (3) juveniles were taken into police custody. This analysis will be centered on body worn camera video, the statements of officers, the statements of emergency medical services personnel, and the statements of civilian witnesses on scene.

#### **II.** STATEMENTS

Please reference Appendix XVIII for the transcribed statements. As a result of this joint investigation, the following statements were conducted:

#### A. Involved Police Officers

## 1. Patrolman Domingo Diaz - Providence Police Department

Patrolman Diaz respectfully declined to provide a statement to investigators. Please reference Appendix XV for the Witness Statement and the After Incident Report that were completed by Patrolman Diaz.

## 2. Patrolman Mitchel Voyer - Providence Police Department

Patrolman Voyer respectfully declined to provide a statement to investigators. Please reference Appendix XV for the After Incident Report completed by Patrolman Voyer.

## 3. Patrolman Nathaniel Colicci - Providence Police Department

Patrolman Colicci respectfully declined to provide a statement to investigators. Please reference Appendix XV for the Witness Statement, the Vehicle Pursuit Letter, and the After Incident Report that were completed by Patrolman Colicci.

## 4. Officer Nicholas Croft - Pawtucket Police Department

Officer Croft respectfully declined to provide a statement to investigators. Please reference Appendix XV for the Narrative completed by Officer Croft.

#### **B. Witness Police Officers**

### 1. Lieutenant Matthew Jennette - Providence Police Department

Name: Lieutenant Matthew Jennette #33

Date of Interview: Wednesday, July 28, 2021

Time of Interview: 3:26 PM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Wednesday, July 28, 2021, at approximately 3:26 PM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Lieutenant Mathew Jennette. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Lieutenant Jennette stated that he was the Officer in Charge (OIC) of the out last shift on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Lieutenant Jennette stated that at the beginning of the shift, he was made aware of a black BMW that was operating recklessly throughout the city. However, at that time, it was unknown that the individuals operating in the black BMW were also the individuals operating in a dark colored sport utility vehicle and were shooting projectiles from the vehicle during the out first shift. Therefore, the black BMW was wanted for motor vehicle violations only and he did not authorize officers to pursue the vehicle at that time.

Throughout the course of the evening, it was continually reported that the subjects inside the BMW were operating the vehicle recklessly, while also pointing rifles from the vehicle and shooting projectiles at individuals. Lieutenant Jennette stated that the main turning point that evening, was when he responded to Brown University for a report of subjects inside the BMW pointing a rifle at a female shuttle driver. At that time, Lieutenant Jennette made the connection

between the felony assaults that occurred during the out first shift and the felony assaults that had been reported during the out last shift that evening.

Lieutenant Jennette stated that he met with the supervisor of the shuttle driver, who was on the phone with the victim. The female shuttle driver stated that she believed the subjects inside the BMW pointed a "real" rifle at her. Lieutenant Jennette stated that while he was on scene at Brown University, he heard a radio transmission by Patrolman John Najarian that he had located the suspect vehicle and an occupant had pointed a rifle at him. Lieutenant Jennette stated that he made a broadcast over channel 1 on the police radio, that the officers were to rule out that the subjects had a BB gun and to treat the weapon as a real firearm, for both the safety of the responding officers and the safety of the public. Lieutenant Jennette advised that based on the totality of the circumstances, he authorized officers to pursue the suspect vehicle, as he believed the occupants of the vehicle were a threat to public safety.

Lieutenant Jennette stated that he closely monitored the radio transmissions of the lengthy pursuit, until the suspect vehicle crashed into a fire hydrant at the corner of Salmon Street and King Street. Upon his arrival, the three (3) occupants of the vehicle were apprehended. Lieutenant Jennette advised that he began to sort out the details of the incident, however, it was difficult because of the chaotic scene, with several officers involved from both the Providence Police Department and the Pawtucket Police Department.

Lieutenant Jennette stated that he observed blood on Juvenile 1's lip and was told by officers on scene that the injury was the result of the motor vehicle crash. Lieutenant Jennette stated that a hostile crowd began to gather around the area, and he started giving officers specific duties to ensure the scene was secure.

Lieutenant Jennette responded to Central Station and continued to sort out the details of the incident. While at Central Station, Lieutenant Jennette was informed that Patrolman Diaz delivered several strikes to Juvenile 1 while attempting to place him in custody. Lieutenant Jennette was also informed that during the apprehension of Juvenile 1, Sergeant Perez pulled Patrolman Diaz back, while directing the officers to secure Juvenile 1 in handcuffs. When asked, Lieutenant Jennette stated that he did not observe Patrolman Diaz spit toward the direction of Juvenile 1, nor did he hear him scream at any individuals in the crowd of onlookers.

Lieutenant Jennette stated that he was contacted by Captain Roger Aspinall on either Monday, July 12, 2021, or Tuesday, July 13, 2021, about an excessive force complaint. Lieutenant Jennette advised that as soon as he received this information, he initiated an inquiry into the incident.

## 2. <u>Lieutenant Dennis O'Brien - Providence Police Department</u>

Name: Lieutenant Dennis O'Brien #35

Date of Interview: Monday, July 26, 2021

Time of Interview: 9:55 AM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Monday, July 26, 2021, at approximately 9:55 AM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Lieutenant Dennis O'Brien. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

Lieutenant O'Brien stated that he was working the pedestrian bridge downtown overtime detail on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. He stated that he monitored the police radio for several calls involving subjects shooting BB guns at people and that one call came over as an actual gun that was pointed at a victim. Lieutenant O'Brien advised that he did not recall hearing Lieutenant Jennette's broadcast stating that officers were not to rely on the weapons used by the suspects as BB guns and they were to be treated as actual firearms.

Lieutenant O'Brien stated that he arrived on scene approximately two (2) minutes after the black BMW crashed and upon his arrival, he observed one (1) subject sitting upright on the ground

with blood on his face. He further stated that he did not witness any of the apprehensions and did not observe Patrolman Diaz spit in the area of Juvenile 1.

Lieutenant O'Brien stated that he believed the blood on Juvenile 1's face was a result of the motor vehicle crash, and he was not made aware of any force used by officers. Lieutenant O'Brien advised that he did not hear Patrolman Diaz scream toward any individuals in the crowd of

onlookers.

On Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at approximately 12:02 PM, a supplemental interview was conducted with Lieutenant O'Brien, pertaining to a comment that he made while on scene. This interview was also conducted in the presence of Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and

Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During a review of Sergeant Troia's body worn camera video, Lieutenant O'Brien was observed to be talking with officers and at some point stated, "we beat the shit out of these people." When asked about this statement, Lieutenant O'Brien stated that he was informing the officers about a conversation he had with individuals in the crowd about why the police were chasing the suspect vehicle. Lieutenant O'Brien advised that the individuals in the crowd did not respond reasonably, and he then ended the conversation. Sometime later, he was speaking with officers on scene and explaining how he was unable to reason with the individuals in the crowd and that they continually yelled, "you (police) beat the shit out of these people." Lieutenant O'Brien reiterated that he was informing the officers on scene about statements made by individuals in the crowd during a previous conversation on scene.

3. Sergeant Eric Greene - Providence Police Department

Name: Sergeant Eric Greene #89

Date of Interview: Tuesday, July 27, 2021

Time of Interview: 10:07 AM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at approximately 10:07 AM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Sergeant Eric Greene. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Sergeant Greene advised that he was assigned to car post 325 on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Sergeant Greene stated he learned through dispatch that subjects in a black BMW were involved in a felony assault with possible firearms in the vehicle. There were several calls for the occupants of the vehicle pointing possible BB Guns or firearms at individuals. Sergeant Greene stated that several different officers briefly observed the black BMW that evening, but lost sight of the vehicle as it repeatedly fled from police.

Sergeant Greene stated that he heard Lieutenant Jennette's broadcast advising officers not to rely on the information that the weapons possessed by the subjects were BB guns and they were to be treated as actual firearms for officer and public safety reasons.

Sergeant Greene stated that he was never in direct pursuit of the black BMW and arrived on scene several minutes after the black BMW had crashed. Upon arrival, the three (3) subjects were being placed into custody and Sergeant Greene did not witness the apprehension of Juvenile 1. Sergeant Greene advised that he observed Juvenile 1 when he was in custody and in an upright seated position on the sidewalk.

Sergeant Greene stated that he did not hear any officers talking about the apprehension of Juvenile 1. Sergeant Greene further stated that he did not observe Patrolman Domingo Diaz spit toward Juvenile 1.

### 4. Sergeant Shawn Kennedy - Providence Police Department

Name: Sergeant Shawn Kennedy #91

Date of Interview: Tuesday, July 27, 2021

Time of Interview: 12:10 PM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex-

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at approximately 12:10 PM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Sergeant Shawn Kennedy. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Sergeant Kennedy advised that he was assigned to the pedestrian bridge detail from the hours of 7:00 PM through 3:00 AM on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Sergeant Kennedy stated that he heard several broadcasts during the out first shift involving the occupants of a black BMW that were shooting projectiles at motor vehicles and pointing weapons at individuals. Sergeant Kennedy advised he was aware that at some point that evening, the Rhode Island State Police attempted to conduct a motor vehicle stop on the black BMW, which subsequently fled from Troopers.

During the out last shift, Sergeant Kennedy monitored a call from a Brown University Shuttle Driver, who stated a weapon was pointed at her and she believed it was a real rifle. A short time later, Sergeant Kennedy heard Patrolman Najarian broadcast that a rifle was pointed at him by an occupant of the black BMW, and he was subsequently in pursuit of the vehicle.

Sergeant Kennedy was never involved in the pursuit of the black BMW, but continued to monitor the pursuit, until he heard a broadcast that the vehicle crashed on Salmon Street at King Street. Sergeant Kennedy advised that he responded to the scene to assist, aware there was potential for crowd control issues. Sergeant Kennedy stated that the crowd of individuals that

gathered on scene were hostile and continually yelling, "you guys don't know the difference between a real gun and a BB gun!"

Sergeant Kennedy stated that he observed Juvenile 1 once he was in custody and observed what appeared to be burns on his face, which he believed were a result of an airbag being deployed during the motor vehicle crash.

Sergeant Kennedy stated that he did observe Patrolman Domingo Diaz yelling at individuals in the crowd and observed Sergeant Michael Troia pull Patrolman Diaz away from the crowd, in an attempt to de-escalate the situation.

### 5. Sergeant Andres Perez - Providence Police Department

Name: Sergeant Andres Perez #99

Date of Interview: Monday, July 26, 2021

Time of Interview: 10:28 AM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Monday, July 26, 2021, at approximately 10:28 AM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Sergeant Andres Perez. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Sergeant Perez advised that he was assigned to car post 315 and was the Officer in Charge (OIC) of District four (4) and District five (5) on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Sergeant Perez stated that he had monitored several police radio broadcasts, involving a dark colored BMW with three (3) occupants, that were pointing and shooting weapons at people. Sergeant Perez advised that he heard Lieutenant

Jennette broadcast over channel one (1) on the police radio, that due to witness information, officers should treat the weapon utilized by the occupants of the suspect vehicle as a live firearm and that officers should not rely on the information that the occupants were solely in possession of a BB gun, for officer and public safety reasons.

Sergeant Perez stated that officers began to pursue the vehicle and the pursuit continued for approximately forty (40) minutes, before the vehicle crashed at the corner of Salmon Street and King Street. Sergeant Perez did not observe the crash but arrived shortly thereafter. When Sergeant Perez arrived on scene, he stated that he observed a group of officers on top of a subject and the officers appeared to be pulling on him in different directions. He stated that the subject, later identified as Juvenile 1, appeared to be struggling with officers and he observed Patrolman Diaz delivering "body shots" to Juvenile 1.

At that time, Sergeant Perez gave officers verbal commands to "cuff him." He stated that he did not think that Patrolman Diaz heard his verbal commands and subsequently grabbed Patrolman Diaz and pulled him back, in an attempt to de-escalate the situation. Sergeant Perez also stated that he believed that the amount of force used by Patrolman Diaz, Patrolman Voyer, and Patrolman Colicci, were all justified and within department policy.

Sergeant Perez stated that he did not complete a supervisor use of force inquiry because he believed the injuries that Juvenile 1 sustained were a result of the motor vehicle crash. Sergeant Perez advised that while on scene, he discussed Juvenile 1's injuries with Lieutenant Jennette and they both agreed that an inquiry would not be necessary for this incident. Sergeant Perez stated that he did not review any body worn camera video recordings that night. Sergeant Perez advised that he informed Lieutenant Jennette that he pulled Patrolman Diaz away from Juvenile 1 because he did not hear his verbal commands to "cuff him."

Sergeant Perez stated that he did not observe Patrolman Diaz spit toward Juvenile 1 and that he did not hear him scream toward any individuals in the crowd of onlookers. When asked, Sergeant Perez advised that he assigned Patrolman Diaz to ride in the rescue with Juvenile 1 because he did not believe that Patrolman Diaz posed any threat to Juvenile 1.

Sergeant Perez stated that he completed the supervisor use of force inquiry on Tuesday, July 13, 2021, after he was informed by the Office of Professional Responsibility to review the incident.

### 6. Sergeant Michael Troia - Providence Police Department

Name: Sergeant Michael Troia #60

Date of Interview: Monday, July 26, 2021

Time of Interview: 2:07 PM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Monday, July 26, 2021, at approximately 2:07 PM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Sergeant Michael Troia. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Sergeant Troia advised that he was assigned to the pedestrian bridge downtown detail on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Sergeant Troia stated that prior to working the detail, he had worked during the out first shift. Sergeant Troia stated that while he was working the out first shift, he was aware that three (3) subjects had pointed a rifle at individuals from a maroon sport utility vehicle. Sergeant Troia later heard additional broadcasts for the maroon sport utility vehicle shooting projectiles at individuals.

During the out last shift, Sergeant Troia became aware of a black BMW bearing Wyoming plates that officers were attempting to locate for an extended period of time. Sergeant Troia stated that at some point in the shift, he heard Lieutenant Jennette broadcast that officers were not to rely on the information that the weapons possessed by the subjects were BB guns and they were to be treated as actual firearms for officer and public safety reasons.

Sergeant Troia stated that as the pursuit continued, he became directly involved for a short period of time, when the black BMW traveled into the Town of Johnston. After disengaging from the pursuit, Sergeant Troia continued to monitor the pursuit over channel 1 and heard that the suspect vehicle crashed on Salmon Street.

Sergeant Troia stated that upon his arrival on scene, Juvenile 1 was handcuffed, and he observed blood on Juvenile 1's face. Sergeant Troia advised the officers to call for a rescue to respond to the scene for Juvenile 1. Sergeant Troia stated that he believed the injuries sustained by Juvenile 1 were a result of the motor vehicle crash.

Sergeant Troia stated that he did not observe Patrolman Domingo Diaz spit toward Juvenile 1, but that he did observe Patrolman Diaz yelling at individuals in the crowd. Sergeant Troia advised that Patrolman Diaz was acting in an unprofessional manner and therefore, he pulled him away from the crowd. Sergeant Troia stated that he informed Sergeant Andres Perez and Lieutenant Matthew Jennette of the unprofessional behavior displayed by Patrolman Diaz.

When asked why he inquired with Sergeant Perez who was doing the use of force inquiry, Sergeant Troia stated that he inquired in case the injury was sustained when Juvenile 1 was taken to the ground during his apprehension.

Sergeant Troia was asked why he viewed his own body worn camera video recordings, and he stated that when he was assigned as the Desk Sergeant on the evening of Friday, July 9, 2021, he received several telephone calls from Juvenile 1's mother, his grandmother and his attorney. Sergeant Troia advised that Juvenile 1's mother and grandmother both stated that officers beat up Juvenile 1 during his arrest.

Sergeant Troia then viewed his own body worn camera video recordings, in an attempt to observe if any of the allegations made by Juvenile 1's family members were observed on his video recordings. After viewing his body worn camera video recordings, Sergeant Troia stated that he did not observe any of the allegations made and subsequently advised Sergeant Perez of the complaints.

#### 7. Detective Mitchell Guerra - Providence Police Department

Name: Detective Mitchell Guerra #217

Date of Interview: Wednesday, July 28, 2021

Time of Interview: 2:27 PM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Wednesday, July 28, 2021, at approximately 2:27 PM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Detective Mitchell Guerra. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Detective Guerra advised that he was working from 7:00 PM until 3:00 AM on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Detective Guerra stated that he began investigating incidents involving BB guns during the out first shift. Detective Guerra was informed of the following incidents involving the same subjects:

- Roger Williams Hospital Female party stated a subject in a sport utility vehicle pointed a rifle at her.
- 2. Carleton Street at Roanoke Street Two (2) female parties were driving in a vehicle, when a subject in a maroon sport utility vehicle fired a projectiles into the vehicle's windshield.
- 3. Dearborn Street Three (3) employees stated that subjects in a sport utility vehicle exited the vehicle and two (2) of the subjects had long rifles. The subjects began chasing the employees around the commercial property, while firing projectiles at them.

Detective Guerra stated that he responded back to the station and began to work on the above cases. After the shift change, Detective Guerra heard another broadcast for subjects with BB gun rifles operating in a black BMW and pointed a rifle at a Brown University shuttle driver. Detective Guerra stated he heard the broadcast made by Lieutenant Jennette, advising officers not

to rely on the information that the weapons possessed by the subjects were BB guns and that the weapons were to be treated as actual firearms for officer and public safety reasons.

Detective Guerra stated that he heard Patrolman Najarian broadcast that he located the black BMW and was in pursuit of the vehicle. Detective Guerra advised that at that time, he made the connection between the incidents involving subjects with rifles in a sport utility vehicle from the out first shift and the incidents involving subjects with rifles in the black BMW.

Detective Guerra continued to monitor the pursuit until it came to an end when the black BMW crashed on Salmon Street at King Street. Detective Guerra stated that he arrived on scene approximately two (2) to three (3) minutes after the crash had occurred.

Detective Guerra stated that when he arrived on scene, it was very chaotic, and a crowd of individuals began to gather. Detective Guerra advised that he did not observe the apprehension of the three (3) subjects and observed Juvenile 1 being tended to by officers on the sidewalk.

Detective Guerra stated that he began speaking with officers on scene to determine the seat placement of the subjects in the black BMW, prior to the apprehension.

## 8. Patrolman Jason Bibeault - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolman Jason Bibeault #344

Date of Interview: Wednesday, July 28, 2021

Time of Interview: 12:00 PM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Wednesday, July 28, 2021, at approximately 12:00 PM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolman Jason Bibeault. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul

Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen

Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Patrolman Bibeault stated that he was assigned to car post 381 on the

evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Patrolman Bibeault

advised that at some point, he became aware of a black BMW that was of interest to the Providence

Police. Patrolman Bibeault advised that a call for service was broadcast, reporting the occupants

of the black BMW had pointed what appeared to be a rifle, at a Brown University shuttle bus driver.

Patrolman Bibeault stated he subsequently monitored a broadcast that the black BMW was

in the Kennedy Plaza area and the occupants were pointing what appeared to be a rifle from the

vehicle at individuals. Patrolman Bibeault stated that he heard Lieutenant Jennette's broadcast

advising officers they were not to rely on information that the weapons used by the suspects were

BB guns and they were to be treated as actual firearms for officer safety.

Patrolman Bibeault advised that he never observed the black BMW or engaged in the pursuit

of the vehicle. Patrolman Bibeault stated that he was aware the pursuit of the black BMW ended

when the vehicle crashed at the corner of King Street and Salmon Street. Patrolman Bibeault

advised that he arrived on scene approximately one (1) minute after the crash had occurred.

Patrolman Bibeault stated that he did not observe the apprehensions of the three (3)

subjects, but he did observe that one (1) of the subjects appeared to be bleeding from his face.

Patrolman Bibeault stated that shortly after his arrival on the scene, he cleared the location

and returned to service.

9. Patrolman Jose Buten - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolman Jose Buten #322

Date of Interview: Monday, July 26, 2021

Time of Interview: 4:19 PM

**Location of Interview:** Providence Public Safety Complex

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Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Monday, July 26, 2021, at approximately 4:19 PM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolman Jose Buten. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Patrolman Buten stated that he was assigned to car post 324 on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Patrolman Buten advised that he was aware of a black BMW that was of interest to the Providence Police Department. Patrolman Buten stated that he had worked during the previous shift, where he monitored broadcasts regarding a similar set of incidents with the occupants of that vehicle, pointing rifles and shooting projectiles at people throughout the city of Providence.

Patrolman Buten stated that he monitored Lieutenant Jennette's broadcast advising that officers were not to assume that the weapons possessed by the suspects were solely BB guns and to treat the weapons as actual firearms for officer safety.

Patrolman Buten stated that he was aware that the pursuit ended when the suspect vehicle crashed at the corner of Salmon Street and King Street. Patrolman Buten advised that he arrived on scene approximately five (5) minutes after the crash occurred and he was not involved in the apprehensions of the three (3) subjects. Patrolman Buten stated that he observed a subject seated on the ground with blood on his face and officers were tending to the subject.

Patrolman Buten was shown a video recording from his body worn camera, from his arrival on scene. Patrolman Buten identified Patrolman Domingo Diaz and stated that he could see from the video that Patrolman Diaz spit on the ground toward Juvenile 1. Patrolman Buten advised that he recalled Patrolman Diaz having an interaction with Juvenile 1, but it was made clearer from the viewing of the video. Patrolman Buten stated that he observed Juvenile 1 was bleeding from the face.

Patrolman Buten stated that he did not observe Patrolman Diaz make any statements to any individuals in the crowd. Patrolman Buten advised that the individuals in the crowd were aggressive and continually screamed at officers.

Patrolman Buten stated that he was subsequently assigned to prisoner watch at the hospital. Patrolman Buten advised that he was not assigned to watch Juvenile 1 at the hospital but assigned as extra security to keep the hospital secure, in the event that individuals from the crowd responded there and became aggressive. Patrolman Buten stated that approximately twenty (20) individuals responded to the hospital, to include Juvenile 1's mother. Patrolman Buten advised there were no incidents with the crowd of individuals that responded to the hospital.

#### 10. Patrolman Andrew Calle - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolman Andrew Calle #574

Date of Interview: Monday, July 26, 2021

Time of Interview: 11:26 AM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Monday, July 26, 2021, at approximately 11:26 AM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolman Andrew Calle. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Patrolman Calle stated that he was assigned to car post 342 on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Patrolman Calle advised that he monitored several calls of subjects in a black BMW, that were possibly in possession of a firearm and involved in several Assaults with a Dangerous Weapon throughout the City of Providence.

Patrolman Calle stated that he was never in direct pursuit of the black BMW and did not observe the suspect vehicle crash or the apprehension of the three (3) subjects.

Patrolman Calle stated that he observed blood on Juvenile 1's face but did not observe any officer strike Juvenile 1 and while on scene, he did not hear any officers speak about using force during the apprehension of Juvenile 1.

Patrolman Calle stated that Sergeant Michael Troia instructed him to place crime scene tape around the area of the scene, in order to maintain crowd control. Patrolman Calle advised that he was subsequently instructed by Sergeant Auclair (Desk Sergeant) to respond to Rhode Island Hospital for a prisoner watch, unrelated to this incident.

## 11. Patrolman Sean Cooney - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolman Sean Cooney #523

Date of Interview: Tuesday, July 27, 2021

Time of Interview: 11:44 AM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at approximately 11:44 AM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolman Sean Cooney. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Patrolman Cooney advised that he was assigned to car post 351 on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Patrolman Cooney stated that he monitored several broadcasts for a black BMW with the occupants shooting

projectiles at vehicles and individuals. Patrolman Cooney was also aware that this vehicle was

involved in felony assaults during the previous shift.

Patrolman Cooney stated that he was dispatched to Manton Avenue at Steuben Street for

a report of subjects shooting from a vehicle. When officers arrived on scene, the vehicle fled the

area at a high rate of speed. Later in the shift, Patrolman Cooney monitored a broadcast from

Lieutenant Jennette, where he advised officers not to rely on the information that the weapons

possessed by the subjects were BB guns and that the weapons were to be treated as actual

firearms for both officer safety and public safety.

Patrolman Cooney stated that he arrived on scene after the three (3) subjects were

apprehended and observed Juvenile 1 seated in an upright position on the ground, while Patrolman

David Sepe tended to him.

Patrolman Cooney stated that he assisted putting crime scene tape around the area, as

approximately fifty (50) individuals gathered on scene and were aggressively yelling toward police.

Patrolman Cooney remained on scene until the tow truck arrived and secured the black

BMW.

12. Patrolman David Sepe - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolman David Sepe #504

Date of Interview: Wednesday, July 28, 2021

Time of Interview: 12:30 PM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

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On Wednesday, July 28, 2021, at approximately 12:30 PM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolman David Sepe. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Patrolman Sepe advised that he was working mid-shift and was assigned to car post 323 from the hours of 11:00 PM through 3:00 AM, on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Patrolman Sepe monitored approximately three (3) calls in succession where information was provided, that a dark colored BMW with multiple occupants were pointing replica or actual firearms at individuals. Patrolman Sepe heard several officers advise that they briefly located the black BMW, but quickly lost sight of the vehicle as it fled from police.

Patrolman Sepe heard via channel 1 that the subjects in the black BMW had pointed a firearm at a Brown University employee. At this point, Patrolman Sepe advised that he was aware that the occupants of the black BMW were responsible for several felony assaults throughout the City of Providence. Patrolman Sepe advised that he heard Lieutenant Jennette's broadcast advising officers not to rely on the weapons possessed by the subjects were BB guns and they were to be treated as actual firearms for officer and public safety. Patrolman Sepe stated that he heard Patrolman Najarian broadcast that he located the black BMW, and an occupant pointed a firearm at him.

Patrolman Sepe engaged as a secondary unit in the pursuit as the black BMW traveled into the City of Pawtucket. Patrolman Sepe advised that he was a far distance behind the other police vehicles and disengaged from the pursuit.

Patrolman Sepe continued to monitor the pursuit and heard the black BMW was traveling toward the area of Salmon Street. Patrolman Sepe arrived on scene several minutes after the black BMW crashed and was not involved in the apprehension of any of the subjects.

Patrolman Sepe stated that he is a nationally and Rhode Island certified Emergency Medical Technician and has held this certification for approximately seven (7) years. Upon arrival on scene, Patrolman Sepe observed Juvenile 1 seated upright against a police cruiser. Patrolman Sepe

advised that he immediately performed a quick assessment of Juvenile 1, where he determined

that Juvenile 1 was breathing and the wounds on his face appeared to be superficial.

In order to conduct a further assessment, Patrolman Sepe moved Juvenile 1 to a safe

location on the sidewalk of King Street. While on the sidewalk, Patrolman Sepe determined

Juvenile 1 was responding to painful stimuli by pressing a pen on a fingernail bed and performing

a sternal rub on Juvenile 1. Patrolman Sepe also determined that Juvenile 1 was alert and had a

level of consciousness.

Patrolman Sepe stated that he may have checked Juvenile 1's pupils but did not recall what

determination he made. When viewing Patrolman Sepe's body worn camera video recording, he

was asked by a supervisor on scene about the extent of his injuries and his level of consciousness.

Patrolman Sepe advised the supervisor that when he attempted to lift Juvenile 1's eyelids, Juvenile

1 fought this with resistance and closed his eyelids. Therefore, Patrolman Sepe made the

determination that Juvenile 1 was not unconscious.

Patrolman Sepe stated that based on his brief assessment of Juvenile 1, the injuries he

sustained appeared to be the result of a motor vehicle crash. Patrolman Sepe advised that he

believed Juvenile 1's injuries were consistent with an individual hitting their head on the dashboard

during a motor vehicle crash. Patrolman Sepe stated that when Providence Fire Department

personnel arrived on scene, he transferred care of Juvenile 1 to them.

13. Patrolman Shaolin Herr - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolman Shaolin Herr #556

Date of Interview: Tuesday, July 27, 2021

Time of Interview: 9:30 AM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

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On Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at approximately 9:30 AM, a recorded Garrity interview was

conducted with Patrolman Shaolin Herr. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul

Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen

Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview. Patrolman Herr advised that he was assigned to car post 391 on the

evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Patrolman Herr stated

that he became aware of a black BMW that was wanted for several felony offenses, after the

occupants pointed rifles at individuals throughout the City of Providence. Patrolman Herr stated

that he heard Lieutenant Jennette's broadcast advising officers not to assume that the weapons

the suspects possessed were solely BB guns.

Patrolman Herr stated that he monitored the broadcast of the pursuit but was never directly

involved. Patrolman Herr advised that he responded to the area of Salmon Street and at that time,

he observed the black BMW crash into a fire hydrant. Patrolman Herr stated that upon his arrival

on scene, he observed the driver and rear seat passenger put their hands up. Patrolman Herr

advised that he assisted Patrolman Najarian with the apprehension of the operator. Patrolman

Herr stated that once the subject was in custody, he checked to see if any other officers needed

assistance. At that time, Patrolman Herr observed Sergeant Andres Perez pull Patrolman Domingo

Diaz backward, away from a subject on the ground.

Patrolman Herr stated that a short time later, he heard a broadcast for any officers not

involved in an arrest to go back into service, however, he observed a large crowd of individuals

gathering outside of Manton Heights that were being aggressive toward officers on scene.

Patrolman Herr stated that he did not observe Patrolman Diaz use force to apprehend a

subject on scene and did not observe Patrolman Diaz spit toward Juvenile 1.

14. Patrolman James Lewis - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolman James Lewis #250

Date of Interview: Monday, July 26, 2021

Time of Interview: 3:39 PM

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Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Monday, July 26, 2021, at approximately 3:39 PM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolman James Lewis. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Patrolman Lewis advised that he was assigned to car post 383 on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Patrolman Lewis stated that he monitored several broadcasts for subjects in a black BMW pointing BB guns from the vehicle and shooting projectiles at individuals. Patrolman Lewis learned via dispatch that there were three (3) occupants in the black BMW, and they had pointed a rifle at a Brown University employee. Patrolman Lewis further stated that he heard Lieutenant Jennette's broadcast advising officers not to rely on the information that the weapons possessed by the subjects were BB guns and they were to be treated as actual firearms for officer and public safety reasons.

Patrolman Lewis also stated that he heard several broadcasts on the previous shift for subjects in a dark colored Nissan Murano sport utility vehicle, pointing BB guns at individuals.

Patrolman Lewis did not observe the black BMW crash at the corner of Salmon Street and King Street, as he arrived several minutes after the crash occurred. Patrolman Lewis did not observe the apprehension of the three (3) subjects. Shortly after arriving on scene, Sergeant Andres Perez advised Patrolman Lewis to clear the scene and to go back into service.

## 15. Patrolman John Manown - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolman John Manown #516

Date of Interview: Tuesday, July 27, 2021

Time of Interview: 10:57 AM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at approximately 10:57 AM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolman John Manown. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

Patrolman Manown stated that he was assigned to car post 342 on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Patrolman Manown advised that earlier in the shift he was on patrol in the area of Potters Avenue and Elmwood Avenue, when he observed a Rhode Island State Trooper attempt to conduct a motor vehicle stop of a black BMW. Patrolman Manown stated that the black BMW subsequently fled from the Trooper. Patrolman Manown advised that he attempted to follow the black BMW, but lost sight of the vehicle.

Later in the shift, Patrolman Manown heard an officer broadcast that the black BMW may have been involved in an earlier shooting on Julian Street. Patrolman Manown learned through Dispatch, that the Black BMW was involved in several Assaults with a Dangerous Weapon complaints, as the occupants were shooting pedestrians from the vehicle with projectiles. Patrolman Manown stated that he monitored Lieutenant Jennette's broadcast, advising officers they were not to rely on the weapons used by the suspects were BB guns and the officers were to treat the weapons as actual firearms for officer safety.

Patrolman Manown stated that he heard Patrolman Najarian broadcast that an occupant of the suspect vehicle had pointed, what appeared to be a rifle at him.

Patrolman Manown stated he entered the pursuit when the vehicle was traveling towards the City of Pawtucket. While pursuing the vehicle, Patrolman Manown advised that the convertible

top was retracted, and an occupant of the black BMW continually looked back at him. While traveling on School Street in Pawtucket, the black BMW entered a parking lot and Patrolman Manown was unable to make the turn into the parking lot. Patrolman Manown stated that he exited his marked police vehicle and drew his firearm, while giving loud verbal commands for the operator to stop the vehicle. The black BMW was able to flee from the parking lot and subsequently traveled the wrong way on School Street. The black BMW traveled back onto Route 95 South and Patrolman Manown advised that he lost sight of the vehicle at that time.

Patrolman Manown continued to monitor the pursuit and responded to the area of Manton Avenue. The black BMW traveled onto Salmon Street and nearly struck Patrolman Manown's marked police cruiser head-on. The black BMW subsequently crashed at the corner of King Street and Salmon Street.

On scene, Patrolman Manown assisted with the apprehension of Juvenile 3, who was resisting and failing to comply with officers' directives. Once Juvenile 3 was taken into custody, Patrolman Manown escorted him to a marked police cruiser. A subsequent search of Juvenile 3's person revealed a knife clipped on his right hip and a cellular telephone.

Patrolman Manown stated that he did not observe the apprehension of Juvenile 1, but he did observe officers tending to Juvenile 1 when he was handcuffed and seated upright on the ground. Patrolman Manown advised that he observed blood on Juvenile 1's face but was uncertain how the injury was sustained. Patrolman Manown stated that he did not observe Patrolman Domingo Diaz spit toward Juvenile 1.

Patrolman Manown advised that he subsequently assisted with crowd control on scene, until he was instructed to transport Juvenile 2 to Central Station. While at Central Station, Patrolman Manown observed that Juvenile 2 had a pre-existing wound on his head that was bleeding. Juvenile 2 refused medical attention, however, out of an abundance of caution, Juvenile 2 was transported by rescue to the hospital for treatment.

Patrolman Manown stated that he remained in the juvenile detention area with Juvenile 3, while another officer responded to the hospital with Juvenile 2 in the rescue.

### 16. Patrolman Anthony Moore - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolman Anthony Moore #390

Date of Interview: Wednesday, July 28, 2021

Time of Interview: 1:09 PM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Wednesday, July 28, 2021, at approximately 1:09 PM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolman Anthony Moore. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Patrolman Moore stated that he was assigned to the mid shift and was working in car post 371 during the out last portion of his shift on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Patrolman Moore stated that during the out first shift, officers were dispatched to the Manton Avenue area for reports of subjects in a black BMW that were shooting car windows out.

Patrolman Moore stated that during the out last shift, he continued to monitor calls for the occupants of the black BMW. The occupants were reportedly pointing weapons out of the vehicle and shooting projectiles at individuals. Later in the shift, Patrolman Moore stated he heard Lieutenant Jennette's broadcast advising officers not to rely on the information that the weapons possessed by the subjects were BB guns and they were to be treated as actual firearms for officer and public safety reasons.

Patrolman Moore stated that he was never in direct pursuit of the black BMW but did observe the vehicle briefly near Killingly Street and Hartford Avenue, as it drove past his location. Patrolman Moore stated that he did not witness the black BMW crash at the corner of Salmon Street and King

Street but upon his arrival, he did observe smoke billowing from the suspect vehicle. Patrolman Moore stated that when he arrived on scene, the three (3) subjects were in custody and there was a large, hostile crowd gathering on scene. Patrolman Moore advised that he was on scene for a brief period of time before he cleared and went back into service.

### 17. Patrolman John Najarian - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolman John Najarian #417

Date of Interview: Monday, July 26, 2021

Time of Interview: 10:57 AM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Monday, July 26, 2021, at approximately 10:57 AM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolman John Najarian. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Patrolman Najarian stated that he was assigned to car post 343 on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Patrolman Najarian advised that he monitored a dispatch call that the Rhode Island State Police had attempted to conduct a motor vehicle stop of a black BMW and the vehicle subsequently fled from Troopers. Patrolman Najarian stated that Providence officers began broadcasting over the police radio that the vehicle had also fled from them.

Sometime later, Patrolman Najarian learned that a firearm was pointed at a Brown University shuttle bus driver by the subjects in the black BMW. Patrolman Najarian subsequently observed the black BMW on North Main Street, at which time it entered the Whole Foods parking lot.

Patrolman Najarian advised that he entered the parking lot behind the black BMW and attempted to keep a safe distance from the vehicle, due to the occupants reportedly being in possession of a firearm. At that time, the driver (Juvenile 2) of the vehicle turned toward Patrolman Najarian and pointed what appeared to be a firearm at him. The black BMW then fled the scene, at which point Patrolman Najarian began to pursue the vehicle. Patrolman Najarian stated that he observed three (3) occupants inside the vehicle.

Patrolman Najarian began broadcasting the pursuit but lost sight of the vehicle when it entered onto Route 195 East. Patrolman Najarian stated that he was not actively involved in the pursuit again, until the black BMW traveled back toward Salmon Street. Patrolman Najarian advised that he responded to the area of Salmon Street to assist in the active pursuit of the vehicle, at which point the driver of the black BMW drove directly toward his marked police cruiser, nearly colliding with his vehicle.

The pursuit ceased when the black BMW crashed into a fire hydrant located at the intersection of Salmon Street and King Street. Patrolman Najarian stated that upon his arrival on scene, he ordered the occupants of the vehicle to show their hands. Patrolman Najarian advised that the driver and the rear seat passenger complied with the verbal commands, but the front seat passenger failed to comply.

Upon approaching the black BMW, Patrolman Najarian observed long rifles resting on the center console of the vehicle. Patrolman Najarian stated that he immediately re-holstered his firearm and removed the driver from the vehicle, taking him to the ground. Two (2) additional officers arrived to assist placing the individual into custody. At that time, Patrolman Najarian disengaged from the apprehension, as he believed the officers had control of the subject.

Patrolman Najarian stated that he walked toward the rear of the black BMW and observed several officers struggling to apprehend the subject wearing the black sweatshirt.

A short time later, Patrolman Najarian stated that he observed Juvenile 1 was in custody and that officers were tending to him. Patrolman Najarian advised that he observed some blood on Juvenile 1's face and believed it was a result of the motor vehicle crash.

Patrolman Najarian stated that he then responded to Central Station and completed an incident report, pursuit letter, After Incident Report (AIR), witness statement, and issued two (2) traffic summons for the operator of the black BMW.

#### 18. Patrolman Louis Prete - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolman Louis Prete #522

Date of Interview: Tuesday, July 27, 2021

Time of Interview: 10:30 AM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at approximately 10:30 AM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolman Louis Prete. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Patrolman Prete advised that he was assigned to either car post 353 or car post 354 on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. The Telestaff Roster indicated that Patrolman Prete was assigned to car post 354. Patrolman Prete stated that he recalled monitoring the radio, when a call came in for subjects in a black BMW that were shooting BB Guns at pedestrians on Manton Avenue. Patrolman Prete was aware the occupants of the black BMW were wanted for several felony assaults at that time.

Patrolman Prete stated that several District 5 cars responded to the area of Manton Avenue in an attempt to locate the black BMW. Patrolman Prete observed the black BMW flee from the police and estimated the vehicle's speed to be approximately fifty (50) to sixty (60) miles per hour. After this brief encounter with the black BMW, Patrolman Prete did not observe the vehicle again.

Patrolman Prete further stated that he was working a detail on the out first shift and heard earlier broadcasts of similar incidents. Patrolman Prete advised that subjects in a stolen maroon colored Nissan sport utility vehicle were driving around the city, shooting BB guns at individuals. Patrolman Prete stated that after he heard the broadcasts, he believed that the subjects in the black BMW were the same subjects that were operating in the stolen Nissan sport utility vehicle earlier in the day.

Patrolman Prete acknowledged that heard Lieutenant Jennette's broadcast advising officers not to rely on the information that the weapons possessed by the suspects were BB guns and they were to be treated as actual firearms for officer and public safety.

Patrolman Prete continued monitoring the pursuit and was in the area of Salmon Street, when he heard the broadcast that the black BMW had crashed at the corner of Salmon Street and King Street. Upon arrival, Patrolman Prete observed two (2) officers that appeared to be struggling to apprehend the driver, Juvenile 2. Patrolman Prete assisted officers and began to give verbal commands for Juvenile 2 to show his hands. Patrolman Prete stated that Juvenile 2 continued to ignore his verbal commands, at which time he grabbed Juvenile 2's left hand and took him to the ground.

Juvenile 2 continued to ignore Patrolman Prete's verbal commands and refused to place his hands behind his back. Patrolman Prete then delivered approximately four (4) to five (5) hand strikes to the back of Juvenile 2. After the final strike, Juvenile 2 began to comply with directives, and Patrolman Prete was able to apply handcuffs.

Patrolman Prete stated he did not observe the apprehension of Juvenile 1 or observe any injuries sustained by Juvenile 1.

After Juvenile 2 was secured in a police vehicle, rescue personnel responded to evaluate him. At that time, Juvenile 2 refused medical attention.

Patrolman Prete stated that he subsequently assisted to preserve the crime scene and control the crowd that started to become hostile towards police. Patrolman Prete subsequently transported Juvenile 3 to Central Station for processing.

#### 19. Patrolman Luis Quinilla - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolman Luis Quinilla #572

Date of Interview: Tuesday, July 27, 2021

Time of Interview: 11:24 AM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at approximately 11:24 AM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolman Luis Quinilla. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Patrolman Quinilla stated that on the evening of July 8, 2021, into July 9, 2021, he was assigned to car post 353, in District Five (5). Patrolman Quinilla stated that he first became aware of the incidents involving the black BMW when he was dispatched to the area of Manton Avenue to look for the vehicle. Patrolman Quinilla stated that he responded to the area and observed the BMW traveling in his direction at a high rate of speed. Patrolman Quinilla stated that he lost sight of the vehicle in the area of Amherst Street. Patrolman Quinilla stated that another officer located the vehicle and initiated a pursuit.

Patrolman Quinilla stated that he did not become involved in the purist of the BMW but monitored it over the radio. Patrolman Quinilla stated that the pursuit went on for an extended period of time. Patrolman Quinilla stated that the pursuit came back into his district and ended with the BMW being involved in a crash. Patrolman Quinilla stated that he responded to the area where the crash occurred, Manton Avenue in the area of Salmon Street.

Patrolman Quinilla stated that when he arrived at the crash scene, he observed that the BMW occupants were already out of the vehicle. Patrolman Quinilla stated that he assisted with taking the operator into custody. Patrolman Quinilla stated that he secured the operator's legs as

other officers placed him into custody. Patrolman Quinilla stated that the operator was then taken away.

After assisting with the arrest of the operator, Patrolman Quinilla stated that he was given a fanny-pack containing cellular phones. Patrolman Quinilla stated that he could not recall who gave him the fanny-pack or who he later turned it over to. Patrolman Quinilla stated that he was then instructed to leave the scene so that cruisers could be moved for incoming rescues.

Patrolman Quinilla stated that while on scene he did observe the apprehension of Juvenile 1. Patrolman Quinilla stated that he observed a Pawtucket Officer striking Juvenile 1 while trying to get him into custody. Patrolman Quinilla stated that he did not observe any officers spit toward Juvenile 1.

### 20. Patrolman Lucas Ramalho - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolman Lucas Ramalho #507

Date of Interview: Monday, July 26, 2021

Time of Interview: 3:23 PM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Monday, July 26, 2021, at approximately 3:23 PM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolman Lucas Ramalho. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Patrolman Ramalho stated that on the evening of July 8, 2021, into July 9, 2021, he was assigned to car post 372, in District Seven (7). Patrolman Ramalho stated that he first heard of the black BMW when a broadcast was sent out regarding an incident in the

area of Brown University. Patrolman Ramalho stated that a witness had observed an occupant of

the BMW display what appeared to be a rifle. Patrolman Ramalho stated that he then heard

multiple additional incidents involving the BMW and that it was wanted for ADW.

Patrolman Ramalho stated that he later heard another officer pursing the BMW and that the

officer reported a rifle had been pointed at him. Patrolman Ramalho stated that he became

involved in the pursuit when it traveled through District Seven (7). Patrolman Ramalho

acknowledged that he heard Lieutenant Jennette inform officers over the radio that the suspects

were believed to be in possession of a rifle.

Patrolman Ramalho stated that he was not involved in the pursuit when it ended. Patrolman

Ramalho stated that he made attempts to anticipate where the BMW would travel and in the course

of doing so, he was involved in a crash with Patrolwoman Sanchez. Patrolman Ramalho stated

that while he was assessing the damage to his cruiser, he heard that the BMW had crashed up the

street from him. Patrolman Ramalho stated that he then responded to the area.

Patrolman Ramalho stated that upon arriving to the BMW crash scene, he observed that the

BMW occupants had already been taken into custody. Patrolman Ramalho stated that he did not

observe any persons being taken into custody. Patrolman Ramalho stated that he did observe "a

small caliber, lever-action rifle" inside the passenger's seat of the BMW. Patrolman Ramalho stated

that he then assisted with crowd control and securing the scene.

21. Patrolman Daviniel Urizar - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolman Daviniel Urizar #555

Date of Interview: Monday, July 26, 2021

Time of Interview: 1:36 PM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

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On Monday, July 26, 2021, at approximately 1:36 PM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolman Daviniel Urizar. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Patrolman Urizar stated that on the evening of July 8, 2021, into July 9, 2021, he was assigned to car post 62, in District Six (6). Patrolman Urizar stated that Brown University Police informed Providence Police of a vehicle matching the description of the black BMW pointing weapons at people. Patrolman Urizar stated that at a later point in time, Providence Police Officers began pursuing the black BMW. Patrolman Urizar stated that he eventually became involved in the pursuit and at one point was broadcasting the pursuit. Patrolman Urizar acknowledged that during the pursuit a Lieutenant informed officers that the firearms observed had not been confirmed as BB guns.

Patrolman Urizar stated that he was not present when the BMW crashed, and the pursuit ended. Patrolman Urizar stated that he responded to the scene approximately one minute after the crash. Patrolman Urizar stated that he assisted in taking the operator into custody. Patrolman Urizar stated that he held the operator down as other officers placed him into handcuffs. Patrolman Urizar stated that once the operator was in custody, he helped escort the operator to a cruiser and secured him in the vehicle. Patrolman Urizar stated that he remained on scene and monitored unoccupied cruisers that were located away from the crash scene.

# 22. Patrolwoman Jenna Heeder - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolwoman Jenna Heeder #557

Date of Interview: Wednesday, July 28, 2021

Time of Interview: 12:00 PM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Wednesday, July 28, 2021, at approximately 12:00 PM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolwoman Jenna Heeder. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Patrolwoman Heeder advised that she was assigned to car post 344 on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Patrolwoman Heeder stated that throughout the shift, there were several calls of individuals being shot with projectiles from air rifles.

Patrolwoman Heeder stated that while on patrol, she observed the black BMW on one (1) occasion as it was traveling toward Providence on Woonasquatucket Avenue in the Town of Johnston, as Patrolman Prete pursued the vehicle.

Patrolwoman Heeder stated that she monitored Lieutenant Jennette's broadcast advising officers not to assume that the weapons the suspects possessed were solely BB guns and should be treated as actual firearms.

Patrolwoman Heeder stated that she heard a broadcast that the pursuit ended, when the black BMW struck a fire hydrant located in the Salmon Street area, but she did not witness the motor vehicle crash. Patrolwoman Heeder advised that she arrived on scene approximately five (5) minutes after the crash occurred and did not witness the apprehensions of the subjects. Patrolwoman Heeder stated that she observed one (1) subject in custody on scene and believed his name was Patrolwoman Heeder advised that she observed blood on the subject's face and overheard on scene that the subject's injuries were a result of the motor vehicle crash.

Patrolwoman Heeder stated that she observed Patrolman Domingo Diaz and Patrolman Sean Cooney engaging with individuals in the crowd "a little aggressively" and she told Patrolman Diaz that it wasn't worth it. Patrolwoman Heeder advised that Sergeant Michael Troia also approached Patrolman Diaz and pulled him away from the crowd, in an attempt to de-escalate the situation.

Patrolwoman Heeder stated that she later responded to the hospital to assist with security at that location. Patrolwoman Heeder stated that while conducting security at the hospital, she had no contact with any prisoners and remained at the hospital for approximately three (3) hours.

### 23. Patrolwoman Damaris Sanchez - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolwoman Damaris Sanchez #566

Date of Interview: Monday, July 26, 2021

Time of Interview: 12:07 PM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Monday, July 26, 2021, at approximately 12:07 PM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolwoman Damaris Sanchez. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Patrolwoman Sanchez stated that she was assigned to car post 323 on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Patrolwoman Sanchez monitored calls for service involving three (3) subjects in a black BMW convertible, that were possibly in possession of a shotgun. Patrolwoman Sanchez advised that a victim near Brown University reported the subjects in the black BMW, had pointed a shotgun at them and an officer.

Patrolwoman Sanchez stated that she became directly involved in the pursuit when the black BMW entered onto Route 6 West traveling toward Pawtucket. Patrolwoman Sanchez stated she was in direct pursuit of the suspect vehicle for approximately twenty (20) minutes as the vehicle traveled through the City of Pawtucket and traveled back into the City of Providence. During the pursuit, Patrolwoman Sanchez advised that the driver and passenger kept looking back at the

pursuing police vehicles. Patrolwoman Sanchez stated that she was involved in the pursuit until the black BMW crashed on Salmon Street.

Patrolwoman Sanchez stated that she did not witness the motor vehicle crash. Upon arrival, Patrolwoman Sanchez observed several Pawtucket Police and Providence Police Cruisers in the roadway. Patrolwoman Sanchez advised that she observed officers attempting to gain control of a subject. Patrolwoman Sanchez stated that she observed Patrolman Domingo Diaz strike the subject approximately two (2) to three (3) times with closed fist strikes. Patrolwoman Sanchez heard Sergeant Perez stating, "cuff him", as he pulled Patrolman Diaz away from the subject.

Patrolwoman Sanchez advised that from her vantage point, she was unable to determine Juvenile 1's body position in the roadway. Patrolwoman Sanchez stated that she did not assist with the apprehension of Juvenile 1 because she believed there were a sufficient number of officers present. Patrolwoman Sanchez stated that after Juvenile 1 was taken into custody, she observed some blood on his face, but she was uncertain how he had sustained the injury.

### 24. Patrolwoman Sarita Fernandez – Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolwoman Sarita Fernandez #403

Date of Interview: Wednesday, July 28, 2021

Time of Interview: 1:36 PM

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Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Wednesday, July 28, 2021, at approximately 1:36 PM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolwoman Sarita Fernandez. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Patrolwoman Fernandez advised that she was assigned to either car post 311 or car post 312 on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. The Telestaff Roster indicated that Patrolwoman Fernandez was assigned to car post 311. Patrolwoman Fernandez stated that she heard broadcasts that the occupants of a dark colored BMW were involved in several felony assaults throughout the City of Providence.

Patrolwoman Fernandez heard additional radio broadcasts that the occupants of the black BMW were allegedly pointing rifles at pedestrians and were shooting projectiles at individuals. Patrolwoman Fernandez stated that she heard Lieutenant Jennette's broadcast advising officers not to rely on the information that the weapons possessed by the subjects were BB guns and they were to be treated as actual firearms for officer and public safety reasons.

Patrolwoman Fernandez stated that she became directly involved in the pursuit for a brief period of time before losing sight of the black BMW. Patrolwoman Fernandez stated that the convertible top on the suspect vehicle was down, but she was unable to observe the occupants in the vehicle, as the vehicle had dark tinted windows.

Patrolwoman Fernandez continued to monitor radio broadcasts of the pursuit and heard that the black BMW crashed on Salmon Street at King Street. Upon arrival, the three (3) subjects were in custody. Patrolwoman Fernandez advised that she was on scene for a brief period of time before she cleared, and she was unable to observe Juvenile 1 on scene.

Patrolwoman Fernandez was asked why she did not have any body worn camera video recordings of the incident and replied that she did activate her body worn camera during the incident. After being presented with evidence to the contrary, Patrolwoman Fernandez stated that she believed her camera was powered on.

# 25. Patrolman Renaud Joseph - Providence Police Department

Name: Patrolman Renaud Joseph #398

Date of Interview: Wednesday, July 28, 2021

Time of Interview: 1:53 PM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert

Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP)

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Pezza

On Wednesday, July 28, 2021, at approximately 1:53 PM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Patrolman Renaud Joseph. Present for the interview were; Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Robert Richardson (RISP), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Pezza.

During the interview, Patrolman Joseph advised that he was assigned to car post 364 on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into the morning of Friday, July 9, 2021. Patrolman Joseph stated that he became aware of a black BMW and the occupants of the vehicle had pointed an assault rifle at an officer. Patrolman Joseph advised there were several broadcasts involving the occupants of the black BMW pointing a firearm from the vehicle at individuals throughout the City of Providence.

Patrolman Joseph stated that as he monitored the pursuit, he took a post on Chalkstone Avenue. Patrolman Joseph then observed the black BMW traveling outbound on Chalkstone Avenue towards Manton Avenue. Patrolman Joseph stated that he lost sight of the vehicle as it turned left onto Manton Avenue. Patrolman Joseph advised the black BMW was a convertible and he observed three (3) occupants inside the vehicle.

Patrolman Joseph stated that he arrived on scene approximately forty-five (45) seconds after the broadcast advising the black BMW crashed on Salmon Street at King Street. Patrolman Joseph advised that he was not involved in the apprehensions of the subjects. Patrolman Joseph stated that he did observe the subject, Juvenile 1 seated on the sidewalk and observed that he was bleeding from the face.

Patrolman Joseph stated that he subsequently moved a Providence Police vehicle to ensure that the scene was accessible to emergency medical personnel. Patrolman Joseph advised that he assisted with transporting a Providence Police Cruiser on scene to Central Station.

Patrolman Joseph stated that he activated his body worn camera when he engaged in the pursuit on Chalkstone Avenue and he was uncertain as to why no video had recorded of his activity on Friday, July 9, 2021.

### 26. Officer Caisey Calabro - Pawtucket Police Department

Name: Officer Caisey Calabro #127

Date of Interview: Friday, August 13, 2021

Time of Interview: 6:50 AM

Location of Interview: Pawtucket Police Department

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Matthew

Braga (Pawtucket PD), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP),

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Penza

On Friday, August 13, 2021, at approximately 6:50 AM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Officer Caisey Calabro. Present for the interview were Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Matthew Braga (Pawtucket PD), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Penza.

During the interview, Officer Calabro advised that she was assigned to cruiser 309 with Officer Anthony Richards on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into July 9, 2021. Officer Calabro stated Pawtucket Police Dispatch broadcast information obtained from Providence Police Dispatch via Intercity radio regarding a black colored vehicle attempting to ram a Providence Police Officer and shooting a rifle from the vehicle at responding officers.

Officer Calabro advised updates were being broadcast that the suspect vehicle was traveling on Route 95 North, approaching the City of Pawtucket. At approximately 1:48 AM, Officer Calabro and Officer Richards observed the vehicle and engaged in the pursuit. Officer Calabro described the suspect vehicle as a black colored soft-top convertible and observed three (3) occupants in the vehicle.

Officer Calabro advised the suspect vehicle was driving recklessly and appeared as though it was deliberately attempting to strike Providence Police vehicles. The suspect vehicle traveled the wrong way on a one way road (School Street) at a high speed. Officer Calabro stated that she and Officer Richards pursued the suspect vehicle into the City of Providence, but they did not witness the suspect vehicle crash.

Upon arrival, Officer Calabro observed several Providence Police cruisers on scene at the corner of Salmon Street and King Street. Officer Calabro stated all of the occupants were out of the vehicle and she focused her attention on who she believed was the front seat passenger, later identified as Juvenile 1. Officer Calabro observed Juvenile 1 was in the prone position on the ground and flailing his legs, as if he was attempting to stand up, possibly attempting to run. Officer Calabro advised that she held her hands around Juvenile 1's ankles, to prevent him from kicking officers or standing up. Officer Calabro stated Juvenile 1 continued to resist against her pressure. Officer Calabro believed Juvenile 1's hands and arms were underneath his body, due to hearing officers giving verbal commands to show them his hands.

Officer Calabro advised a fanny pack was removed from Juvenile 1's upper chest area. Based on her experience, Officer Calabro stated that a fanny pack can be used to conceal weapons.

Officer Calabro advised once Juvenile 1 was secured in handcuffs, she was asked by a Providence Police Lieutenant to assist with crowd control, due to the number of individuals gathering on scene and causing concern for officer safety.

## 27. Officer Anthony Richards - Pawtucket Police Department

Name: Officer Anthony Richards #114

Date of Interview: Tuesday, August 17, 2021

Time of Interview: 7:04 AM

Location of Interview: Pawtucket Police Department

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Matthew Braga (Pawtucket PD), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP),

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Penza

On Tuesday, August 17, 2021, at approximately 7:04 AM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Officer Anthony Richards. Present for the interview were Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Matthew Braga (Pawtucket PD), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Penza.

During the interview, Officer Richards advised that he was assigned to vehicle 309 with Officer Calabro on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into July 9, 2021. Officer Richards stated that he had monitored several police radio broadcasts, involving a black colored BMW with the occupants actively shooting at the pursuing officers and attempting to ram into them. Officer Richards advised after being notified that the vehicle was coming their way, they took a post at "six bridges", which he described as the closest highway point to Providence and took a post on the on-ramp. Shortly thereafter, Officer Richards advised he observed the vehicle being followed by police with lights and sirens activated.

Officer Richards advised he was able to see inside the vehicle and observed three (3) occupants. Officer Richards advised the vehicle's convertible top was initially down (closed) and after the vehicle crashed, he observed the top was up (open). Officer Richards advised he did not observe any weapons in the vehicle while in pursuit and did not observe how the pursuit ended.

Officer Richards advised they joined the pursuit when they saw the vehicle exit onto School Street in Pawtucket. Officer Richards stated they got right behind the vehicle, followed it to the bottom of School Street and observed it turn into a parking lot after Beverage Hill Avenue. After officers attempted to stop the vehicle in the parking lot, Officer Richards advised the suspect then drove over a curb and began driving the wrong way on School Street. Officer Richards advised they continued to follow the vehicle and observed it make a right turn onto Chestnut Street.

Officer Richards continued to follow the vehicle on Chestnut Street and observed it make a left turn onto Prospect Street. Officer Richards advised Officer Schumacher was on Prospect Street

at this time and got directly behind the vehicle, making them the second cruiser behind the vehicle. Officer Richards advised they continued to follow the vehicle as it went onto the highway. Officer Richards described the vehicle's operation as reckless.

Officer Richards advised upon arrival at the scene, he observed officers were struggling with one (1) individual on the passenger side of the vehicle. Officer Richards advised he responded to assist and knelt by the suspects right side, grabbed his right arm, and placed it behind his back to be handcuffed. Officer Richards advised it only took approximately one (1) minute to place the suspect in handcuffs when he began to assist. Officer Richards advised he does not recall what the officers on scene or the suspect were saying during this time.

Once the suspect was in custody, Officer Richards advised he provided a security presence on scene as approximately thirty (30) to forty (40) individuals began to gather near the scene. Officer Richards advised he completed a vehicle pursuit form, a subject aggression resistance form, as well as an offense narrative for his police department.

### 28. Officer Neftalie Ortiz - Pawtucket Police Department

Name: Officer Neftalie Ortiz #170

Date of Interview: Friday, August 13, 2021

Time of Interview: 7:08 AM

Location of Interview: Pawtucket Police Department

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Matthew

Braga (Pawtucket PD), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP),

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Penza

On Friday, August 13, 2021, at approximately 7:08 AM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Officer Neftalie Ortiz. Present for the interview were Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Matthew Braga (Pawtucket PD), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Penza.

During the interview, Officer Ortiz advised that he was assigned to District 5 Patrol on the

evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into July 9, 2021. Officer Ortiz stated he heard a radio broadcast

from Providence Police via Intercity channel of an active vehicle pursuit involving a black BMW,

that had shot at responding officers and that the vehicle was traveling on the highway, approaching

the City of Pawtucket

Officer Ortiz advised he took a post at the "six bridges" by the highway in the event the

vehicle entered the City of Pawtucket. Once the black BMW entered the City of Pawtucket, Officer

Ortiz engaged in the police pursuit. Officer Ortiz advised the black BMW took the School Street

off-ramp (Exit 28) and operated recklessly throughout various streets in the City of Pawtucket.

Officer Ortiz advised the black BMW was operating at a high rate of speed, with no regard

for the safety of the public.

Officer Ortiz advised he was traveling on King Street in the City of Providence, when he

observed the black BMW crash into a fire hydrant at the intersection of King Street and Salmon

Street. Officer Ortiz stated he exited his cruiser, withdrew his division issued firearm and began

giving loud verbal commands. Officer Ortiz stated he grabbed the back seat passenger, later

identified as Juvenile 3, placed him on the ground and handcuffed him without incident. Officer

Ortiz then secured Juvenile 3 in the back of a Providence Police Cruiser.

Officer Ortiz advised he was asked by a Providence Police supervisor to assist with crowd

control, due to the large number of individuals gathering at the scene and causing concern for

officer safety.

29. Officer Brendan Schumacher - Pawtucket Police Department

Name: Officer Brendan Schumacher #162

Date of Interview: Friday, August 13, 2021

Time of Interview: 7:23 AM

Location of Interview: Pawtucket Police Department

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Matthew

Braga (Pawtucket PD), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP),

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Penza

On Friday, August 13, 2021, at approximately 7:23 AM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Officer Brendan Schumacher. Present for the interview were Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Matthew Braga (Pawtucket PD), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Penza.

During the interview, Officer Schumacher advised that he was assigned to Car 1 on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into July 9, 2021. Officer Schumacher stated he was advised that Providence Police were looking for a black BMW that was involved in an incident, where the occupants were firing a rifle at police officers and attempted to run police officers off the roadway.

Pawtucket Dispatch updated Pawtucket Police that the vehicle was possibly heading toward the City of Pawtucket. Officer Schumacher heard a broadcast that the black BMW had taken the School Street exit and was traveling the wrong way on the one-way street. Officer Schumacher advised that at some point, he was directly behind the suspect vehicle, which he described as a black convertible sedan, with a possible Montana registration. Officer Schumacher observed three (3) occupants, the driver, a front seat passenger and a rear seat passenger.

Officer Schumacher advised that the black BMW was traveling at an extremely high rate of speed on Prospect Street, while running several traffic lights. The black BMW continued onto Walcott Street. Officer Schumacher observed the black BMW strike the curb, while it traveled on the on-ramp from Walcott Street to Route 95 South in the City of Pawtucket.

Officer Schumacher remained behind the black BMW and observed the rear seat male passenger, turn around several times and look at him. Officer Schumacher advised the black BMW's front tire began smoking and the vehicle was driving across several lanes on the highway. Officer Schumacher reduced his speed and allowed other police officers to take lead in the pursuit, as it was traveling back into the City of Providence.

Officer Schumacher advised he did not witness the black BMW crash and upon arrival, he observed several officers walking one (1) of the male occupants, who was already in handcuffs toward a police cruiser. Officer Schumacher observed approximately three (3) officers attempting to detain one (1) of the occupants, later identified as Juvenile 1. Officer Schumacher advised Juvenile 1 was actively resisting arrest and was refusing to give the officers his hands after several verbal commands were made by police officers. He observed a Pawtucket Police officer assist in the apprehension, by holding Juvenile 1's feet. Officer Schumacher believed Juvenile 1's hands were underneath his body and a brief time later; officers were eventually able to get Juvenile 1's hands behind his back.

Officer Schumacher advised that a Providence Police supervisor requested that he remain on scene to assist with crowd control, due to the number of individuals gathering on scene and becoming hostile, causing concern for officer safety.

### 30. Officer Justin McCabe - Pawtucket Police Department

Name: Officer Justin McCabe #159

Date of Interview: Tuesday, August 17, 2021

Time of Interview: 7:19 AM

Location of Interview: Pawtucket Police Department

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Matthew

Braga (Pawtucket PD), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP),

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Penza

On Tuesday, August 17, 2021, at approximately 7:19 AM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Officer Justin McCabe. Present for the interview were Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Matthew Braga (Pawtucket PD), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Penza.

During the interview, Officer McCabe advised that he was assigned to car 306 on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into July 9, 2021. Officer McCabe advised he had monitored

multiple police radio broadcasts, involving a black colored BMW with the occupants having pointed a rifle at a Providence Police Officer. Officer McCabe advised he was made aware via police radio that the black BMW was being pursued on Route 95 toward the City of Pawtucket.

Officer McCabe advised he and other officers subsequently staged on the "six bridges" Smithfield Avenue overpass until the pursuit entered Pawtucket via Route 95 North. Officer McCabe advised he entered the pursuit as the vehicle exited onto School Street from Route 95 North. Officer McCabe advised the vehicle traveled down School Street, entered a parking lot, and then began driving the wrong way on School Street. Officer McCabe advised the speed during the pursuit was approximately forty (40) to fifty (50) miles per hour, but he did not have a good view of the vehicle due to other cruisers in front of him with their lights activated.

Officer McCabe advised he remained involved in the pursuit as it continued back onto Route 95. Officer McCabe advised that he was a far distance from the suspect vehicle, and he did not observe the vehicle crash. Officer McCabe advised upon arrival on scene, he observed a "scuffle" on the ground with a suspect appearing to resist arrest. Officer McCabe advised the situation appeared to have enough officer's involved, and he did not feel the need to intervene. Officer McCabe advised he did not see the suspects once they were taken into custody. Officer McCabe advised he was on scene for approximately ten (10) minutes before he cleared.

## 31. Officer Tyler Mobrice - Pawtucket Police Department

Name: Officer Tyler Mobrice #172

Date of Interview: Friday, August 13, 2021

Time of Interview: 7:40 AM

Location of Interview: Pawtucket Police Department

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewers: Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Matthew

Braga (Pawtucket PD), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP),

Present for Interview: Attorney Joseph Penza

On Friday, August 13, 2021, at approximately 7:40 AM, a recorded Garrity interview was conducted with Officer Tyler Mobrice. Present for the interview were Detective Sergeant Paul Zienowicz (Providence PD), Detective Sergeant Matthew Braga (Pawtucket PD), Detective Stephen Vinton (RISP), and Attorney Joseph Penza.

During the interview, Officer Mobrice advised that he was assigned to car 308, described as the "east side wagon", on the evening of Thursday, July 8, 2021, into July 9, 2021. Officer Mobrice stated that he had monitored several police radio broadcasts, involving a black colored BMW with the occupants actively shooting at the pursuing officers. Officer Mobrice advised he was made aware via police radio that the black BMW was being pursued by Providence Police officers and traveling on Route 95 North toward the City of Pawtucket. Officer Mobrice stated that Pawtucket Police dispatch advised that the occupants of the black BMW were in possession of a rifle.

Officer Mobrice advised he observed the black BMW enter the City of Pawtucket via School Street, Exit 28, from Route 95 North at approximately 1:40 AM. Officer Mobrice stated that the black BMW was traveling at a high rate of speed and not obeying traffic laws. Officer Mobrice advised he did not observe the vehicle travel the wrong way down a one-way roadway, but advised he was made aware of that via police radio.

Officer Mobrice advised he did not observe how the pursuit ended but arrived on scene shortly thereafter the three (3) subjects had been apprehended. Upon arrival, Officer Mobrice advised he only observed one (1) subject on scene, who was seated on the sidewalk in handcuffs. Officer Mobrice described the subject as sitting in an upright position, bleeding from his face, and appeared to be unconscious. Officer Mobrice stated he and a Providence Police Officer then tested the subject's responsiveness by giving him a sternum rub and eye flick, which revealed that the subject was responding to pain. Officer Mobrice stated that based on the subject's response to pain, he believed the subject was conscious and alert.

While on scene, Officer Mobrice stated Providence Emergency Medical Services personnel arrived on scene to provide medical attention to the subject. Officer Mobrice advised he was on scene for approximately five (5) to ten (10) minutes, before he was cleared by a supervisor to return to service.

#### C. Emergency Medical Services Personnel

### 1. Lieutenant Thomas Miller - Providence Fire Department

Name: Lieutenant Thomas Miller

Date of Interview: Wednesday, August 4, 2021

Time of Interview: 4:10 PM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewer: Detective Sergeant Herbert D. Tilson

On Wednesday, August 4, 2021, Lieutenant Thomas Miller provided a formal statement to Detective Sergeant Herbert D. Tilson, relative to what he observed on the evening of August 9, 2021. Lieutenant Miller advised that he is a thirty (30) year veteran of the Providence Fire Department. On the evening in question, dispatch put out a call for an auto-accident at approximately 2:00 AM, at the intersection of Salmon and King Streets in their city. Lieutenant Miller advised that due to police activity, he and Technician Justin Lyons were not able to drive up to the actual accident scene.

After parking their truck, they walked to the area to assess the situation. Lieutenant Miller observed a vehicle on the corner of Salmon and King Streets. He was then flagged over by police to attend to a young man who was on the ground in a prone position with handcuffs on. He asked the young man if he was okay, but he did not receive a response. Lieutenant Miller noted that he did not see any obvious signs of injury to the young man. Lieutenant Miller recalled that Police indicated that Juvenile 1 was the front seat passenger in the vehicle.

Lieutenant Miller instructed those present to lay the young man on his back so that he could observe his facial expressions and eyes. Lieutenant Miller noted that it was at that time that he could observe a rifle in the passenger side of the vehicle. Lieutenant Miller then instructed Technician Lyons to retrieve a collar and stretcher. Lieutenant Miller continued to speak with the young man to obtain information but was met with negative results. Lieutenant Miller felt the young man was being elusive.

The young man was loaded into the truck and Technician Miller began a primary assessment. Lieutenant Miller continued with attempts to speak to the young man to no avail. Lieutenant Miller then exited the rescue to see if police had any information on the young man. Lieutenant Miller then encountered a young lady, who identified herself as the mother of the patient. Lieutenant Miller described the young lady as very nice and noted that she was instrumental in identifying her son as, Juvenile 1. She also provided important medical information upon request.

Lieutenant Miller informed his mother that her son was "okay and stable". Upon returning to the rescue, Lieutenant Miller informed Juvenile 1 that he spoke to his mother. Lieutenant Miller noted that Juvenile 1 had a minor scratch/laceration on his nose which was addressed by Technician Lyons. Lieutenant Miller stated that the young man's injuries were very superficial and minor. Lieutenant Miller noted that because Juvenile 1 was in handcuffs, he instructed Technician Lyons to inform Providence Police that they needed a police escort to Hasbro Children's Hospital.

During the transport, a Providence Police officer rode in the rescue. Juvenile 1 remained silent during the transport to Hasbro Children's Hospital. Upon arrival, Lieutenant Miller updated the triage nurse of his observations and care was transferred to their staff.

## Rescue Technician Justin Lyons – Providence Fire Department

Name: Rescue Technician, Justin Lyons

Date of Interview: Wednesday, August 4, 2021

Time of Interview: 4:00 PM

Location of Interview: Providence Public Safety Complex

Recorded: Audio only

Interviewer: Detective Sergeant Herbert D. Tilson

On Wednesday, August 4, 2021, Rescue Technician, Justin Lyons provided a formal statement to Detective Sergeant Herbert D. Tilson, relative to what he observed on the evening of August 9, 2021. Technician Lyons advised that he is a three and a half (3 ½) year veteran of the Providence Fire Department. On the evening in question, dispatch put out a call for an auto-accident at approximately 2:00 AM, in the area of Salmon Street in their city. Technician Lyons

stated that he and Lieutenant Thomas Miller responded to the location in Rescue 2. Upon arriving on scene, he observed that police had blocked off the street with yellow tape approximately one hundred (100) yards prior to the crash site. Lieutenant Miller and Technician Lyons walked over to the scene to attain a "scene size up."

Technician Lyons observed the vehicle involved in the crash to his left. Approximately six (6) feet on his right was the male patient laying on the ground (on his stomach) with his eyes open. Technician Lyons noted that the patient was handcuffed and in police custody. Members from Engine 15 were already assessing the patient. Technician Lyons and Lieutenant Miller assessed the patient at which time, Lieutenant Miller instructed him to retrieve the stretcher from Engine 2. Technician Lyons returned with the stretcher along with additional equipment he felt he would need. The patient was turned over and placed on the stretcher. Technician Lyons noted that due to the size of a "hostile" civilian crowd building up, they quickly rolled the patient into Engine 2 with the assistance from a member of Engine 15.

Lieutenant Miller remained outside gathering information. A collar was applied around the patient's neck which is a standard procedure for victims of a car crash. Technician Lyons noted that the patient "wasn't saying much" but was "awake, concise, and orientated". An IV was applied to the patient's left forearm and a trauma assessment was performed. Technician Lyons noted that a trauma assessment is a means to determine whether there are any internal injuries, deformities, lacerations, broken bones, bleeding, plus an evaluation of cognitive abilities. Another aspect of the trauma assessment is the patient's feedback but, in this case, the patient did not answer questions.

It was in the professional opinion of Technician Lyons that the patient was consciously choosing not to answer questions as opposed to him not answering due to the direct result of any medical issues. Technician Lyons did state that he noticed an abrasion on the patient's nose. Lieutenant Miller returned to Engine 2 and the patient was transported to Hasbro Children's Hospital. Technician Lyons noted that a Providence Patrol Officer accompanied them during the transport. At no time during the ride did the patient disclose any information or made any declaration to Technician Lyons. Once at Hasbro, hospital staff was updated of their assessment, who in turn conducted their own independent evaluation.

### D. Suspect

vehicle's commands, Ms.

1. Juvenile 1, DOB: of the state of the stat
Due to the pending charges against Juvenile 1, no statement was conducted.
E. Civilian Witness
1. DOB: of
Providence, Rhode Island
Name:
Date of Interview: Wednesday, August 5, 2021
Time of Interview: 11:24 AM
Location of Interview: Rhode Island State Police Headquarters
Recorded: Audio only
Interviewer: Detective Sergeant Herbert D. Tilson
On Wednesday, August 5, 2021, provided a formal statement to Detective
Sergeant Herbert D. Tilson, relative to what she observed on the evening of August 9, 2021. Ms.
noted that she was providing a statement voluntarily and on her own free will. At
approximately 2:00 am, Ms. heard police sirens outside of her 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor apartment window.
She then observed a black convertible hit a fire hydrant followed by the vehicle's driver and front
seat passenger putting their hands up.
Ms. recalled seeing three (3) police officers pull the driver out of the car. She
recalled seeing police jumping over the back of the convertible to get the front seat passenger. Ms.
stated there was a group of police officers beating on the front seat passenger.
When asked if she observed officers striking the passenger, she clarified that she saw
officers hovering over him but did not see any actual punches being thrown. She stated she then
began velling out the window. When asked if she could hear officers giving the occupants of the

stated she couldn't tell because of her distance from the

