Internal Affairs Investigation
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SPD Office Andy Bauer Supplemental Protocol Interview

Detective Ryan Cogbill: So it's still, uh, November 30th. It's 3:01 p.m. This is the second part of the interview. Um, just two follow-up questions for ya.

Officer Andy Bauer: Okay.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Um, you talked about the pocketknife. You moved the pocketknife.

Officer Andy Bauer: Yes.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Can you go into a little more detail about where the pocketknife was and –

Officer Andy Bauer: Sure.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: – and kinda what it appeared –

Officer Andy Bauer: Yeah.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: – to you to be and stuff like that.

Officer Andy Bauer: Uh, so it was, uh, it was when we were, I was kind of at his right leg to pull him out of the car and I saw the, hmm, back pocket. I think it was the right back pocket, um, there was a metal object. Um, it looked like, it looked like a pocketknife –

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Mm hmm.

Officer Andy Bauer: – kind of but I wasn't totally sure. It looked like that it was metal, um, so I grabbed it just to confirm what it was, make sure it wasn't a gun. Um, then once I realized it was a pocketknife I, I think I just dropped it where it was and went back to grabbin' his leg to pull him out of the car.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Okay. Do you remember a color or a size or anything like that?

Officer Andy Bauer: Uh, it was a li, a lighter color, like the, um, it was the kinda, uh, handle that has the kind of the little holes in it –

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Okay.

Officer Andy Bauer: – little grip holes in it. Um, maybe it was, you know, it was, it was dark. It was maybe gray or yellow or somethin' like that.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Okay. And it was a folding pocketknife or a like a fixed-blade knife?

Officer Andy Bauer: It was a folding pocketknife.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Okay. And was the blade exposed or no?

Officer Andy Bauer: No, it was closed.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Okay. And then you just dropped it in the car somewhere. You don't remember –

Officer Andy Bauer: Yes.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: – specifically where?

Officer Andy Bauer: I, uh, may, I think probably just on the driver's seat.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Okay.

Officer Andy Bauer: Right underneath where he was.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Okay. Perfect. Um, and I wanna talk about just, uh, goin' back to the car. Obviously when you guys were tryin' to pull him out of the car, um, there was a, there was a Taser deployed. There is a carotid applied. At what point, if you can remember, when did the resistance from the suspect stop? Do you remember a specific moment when, when that stopped?

Officer Andy Bauer: Uh, um, when the carotid was applied and it looked like it was, hmm, beginning to be effective. Um, he seemed like he was moving around a lot less. I obviously didn't have my hands on him so I don't know what anyone else was feeling if they were, 'cause at that point we went over to the other side of the car to break the window out –

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Mm hmm.

Officer Andy Bauer: – to pull him out. Uh, when I was pulling him out and getting his legs unhooked, he wasn't kicking at me or anything like that.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Okay.

Officer Andy Bauer: Um, uh, uh, I grabbed the legs and pulled him out so, su, it appeared the carotid was, did what it was supposed to do and, um, yeah.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Okay. Um, and that, but my next question was when you pulled him out of the car, did you, was there any resistance trying to get him unhooked from the steering wheel? Explain getting him unhooked from the steering wheel.

Officer Andy Bauer: Yeah. Uh, uh, so, uh, there was. It took me a while to be able to get it untangled from that.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Okay.

Officer Andy Bauer: Um, and, uh, so it wasn't like, uh, I didn't just go in and grab his legs and immediately pull him out. I had to go in there and actually do some twisting and, hmm, bending around to get it, uh, loose and then –

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Okay.

Officer Andy Bauer: – then pulled him straight out.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: But he wasn't resisting at that point, right? It was just the, however he had gotten itself caught in there?

Officer Andy Bauer: At that point, it didn't feel like he was resisting. I didn't feel like he was trying to kick at me or, or pull away from me at that point.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Okay. And then, again, you said you were able to pull him out of the passenger side, and at that point he was not resisting anymore when you pulled him out. Is that accurate?

Officer Andy Bauer: Uh, yeah. He came right out.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Okay. Okay. That was it. Uh, anything else?

Other Speaker: Mm mm.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Anything else?

Other Speaker: Negative.

Detective Ryan Cogbill: Okay.

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