



CLEVELAND HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT

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July 16th, 2018

To: Chief A. Mecklenburg

From: C. Britton, Captain

Re: Use of Force incident review CH1803352

Chief,

I reviewed the reports and the body camera footage with the incident involving Deantaie Barnes that occurred on July 9th, 2018 @ 0312 hours.

I find the use of force applied by the officers necessary and appropriate within the guidelines of our Use of Force Policy.

What I do find concerning is the actions of Officer Wolf prior to the use of force. Upon reviewing his body camera footage, Officer Wolf makes a statement to individuals on scene about "how lucky he didn't get slammed." Officer Wolf also makes mention of how gets off work "in an hour" and that "he doesn't care" about warrants. He even states at one point "I don't have the patience." These types of statements are I believe are unprofessional and could negatively impact Officer Wolf's character if summoned for court to testify. There is also a neglect of duty by failing to investigate the identity of the persons on scene.

Respectfully Submitted

C. Britton

7-26-18

A counseling session was held with myself, Capt. Britton, Lt. Butler, & Officer Wolf regarding the comments made. Officer Wolf acknowledged his poor choice in words & stated he was just attempting to de-escalate the situation. Lt. Butler