

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

Date Prepared: **02/26/15**

1. Original File No. P15028755	2. [Redacted]	3. Off ID 303	4. Dist. E	5. Crime-Ct.	6. Crime-Ct.	7. Crime-Ct.	8. Date/Time Occurred 02/23/15 - 2128	9. Day
10. Date/Time Assigned	11. Date/Time Inv. Start	12. Date/Time Inv. Term.	13. Type Clr. Exc	14. Type Cont. Rec	15. Additional Adults Arr.	16. Additional Juv. Arr.	17. Address of Occurrence (Street No. - Name - City) 2865 Prospect Ave. Riverside, CA	
							18. Type of Place Residence	

For ID USE: V = Victim, I = Informant, W = Witness, O = Other

19. ID: V	20. Last Name - First - Middle (Firm Name if Business) Ofc. S. Weddle #1718	21. Race - Sex	22. DOB
23. Residence Address		24. Business or School Address Riverside Police Dept.	25. Home Phone
			26. Bus. Phone
27. ID: V	28. Last Name - First - Middle (Firm Name if Business) Ofc. D. Macias #1736	29. Race - Sex	30. DOB
31. Residence Address		32. Business or School Address Riverside Police Dept.	33. Home Phone
			34. Bus. Phone

S U S P E C T	35. LAST Name - First - Middle Lewis, Steven (AKA: Johnson)	36. Race - Sex W/M	37. Age	38. Ht.	39. Wt.	40. Hr.	41. Eyes	42. DOB or ID 02/12/64	43. Arrested <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	44. Address - Clothing - Other Marks or Identifying Characteristics 2865 Prospect Ave. Riverside, CA Deceased								
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ORIGINALLY REPORTED DOLLAR VALUES ARE CHANGED AS SHOWN BELOW

Category	A Currency Notes	B Jewelry Prec. Met.	C Clothing Furs	E Office Equip.	F T.V.-Radio Cameras	G Firearms	H Household Goods	I Consum. Goods	J Livestock	K Misc.
PS	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
57	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
PR	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

60. Originally Reported Offenses (Code - Crime) (1) 664-187 PC / OIS (2)	61. Original Offenses Changed to (Code - Crime) (1) (2)	58. Stolen Auto Value ASP: \$ _____
		59. Recovered Auto Value A2 \$ _____

62. Narrative of Supplemental Report

Assignment Interview:

Ofc. E. Romero #1720

Reporting Officer
Det. R. Wheeler
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1 **Assisting Personnel**

2 Sgt. McCoy – Supervisor

3 Det. Cobb – Case Agent

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5 **Assignment**

6 On February 23, 2015 at 2200 hrs, I was contacted by Det. Cobb and asked to respond to the
7 area of Park & Pleasant in the city and county of Riverside, reference an officer involved
8 shooting investigation. I agreed to respond and arrived at the location at around 2300 hrs.

9
10 I was present for a briefing of the incident provide by Sgt. Perkins and Ofc. Romero. Once the
11 briefing was finished, I took part in a walk-through of two crime scenes in the surrounding
12 neighborhood. The first walk-through was at 2865 Prospect Ave where RPD officers had been
13 confronted by the suspect, S/Steven Lewis, and where S/Lewis had pointed a shotgun at them
14 resulting in an officer involved shooting. Next, we walked through 2786 Pleasant St. where
15 S/Lewis had run to after the shooting and committed suicide in a back room of this residence.

16
17 After the walk-throughs were done, Det. Cobb and I went to CIB where we conducted interviews
18 with the three RPD officers who had been involved in this incident. Ofc. Weddle & Ofc. Macias
19 had been riding together and were the officers who fired their weapons at S/Lewis. Ofc.
20 Romero had responded to the scene moments after the officer involved shooting and was shot
21 at by S/ Lewis. He was not present for the confrontation between Ofc. Weddle, Ofc. Macias and
22 S/Lewis.

23
24 I was present for all three officer interviews. See Det. Cobb's report for the details of the
25 interviews with both Ofc. Weddle and Ofc. Macias.

26
27 Ofc. Romero's interview was audio recorded. What follows is a synopsis of that interview.

28
29 **Interview**

30 **Ofc. Romero #1720:**

31 Ofc. Romero was assigned as a single officer on February 23rd in the eastern portion of the city.
32 His designator was "C220". He was driving marked RPD unit #3507, which is a Ford Explorer.
33 Ofc. Romero was dressed in a dark blue RPD police uniform and was wearing his duty belt,
34 weapon and a black baseball cap with the word "Police" in gold writing on the front. Inside his
35 police unit he had a police rifle.

36
37 Ofc. Romero was not originally dispatched to the call that officers Weddle and Macias had been
38 dispatched to but, due to the circumstances of the call, Ofc. Romero decided to begin driving to
39 the call in case they need additional officers. The call was some type of disturbance incident.

40
41 As Ofc. Romero arrived in the area of Grove and Pleasant, not far from the actual location of the
42 call, Ofc. Romero heard Ofc. Weddle broadcast over the radio that there had been shots fired at
43 their location. Hearing this, Ofc. Romero continued to the Prospect address where officers
44 Weddle and Macias had been.

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1 Ofc. Romero saw a marked police unit at the Prospect address and decided to go past the
2 address and then north down Park to Pleasant so he could help with containment. He did this
3 because he heard an update broadcast that the suspect was heading north through some of the
4 yards in the area. As he was pulling up to the alley that runs east/west between Prospect and
5 Pleasant, Ofc. Romero heard a loud "bang" coming from east of his position. He felt the bang
6 might have been a round fired from a shotgun. Ofc. Romero decided to turn into the alley to see
7 who fired the round.

8
9 As he started into the alley, Ofc. Romero looked east into the alley and saw a subject armed
10 with a shotgun climbing over a fence on the south side of the alley. Once the subject was over
11 the fence, the subject pointed the shotgun at Ofc. Romero's vehicle and fired a single round.
12 Ofc. Romero saw the muzzle flash from the subject's gun as he fired it in his direction. When
13 the subject fired, Ofc. Romero was still seated in his unit behind the steering wheel. Ofc.
14 Romero exited his unit and took cover behind the engine block to avoid being struck. As he was
15 taking cover, Ofc. Romero grabbed his police rifle from his unit.

16
17 While in cover, Ofc. Romero looked toward the subject and watched him jump over a fence into
18 a yard to the north of the alley. Ofc. Romero left the cover of his unit and ran to a tree on Park
19 to see if the subject came out on to Pleasant. As he stood behind the tree, he heard the sound
20 of someone "racking" (cycling) a shotgun. Ofc. Romero moved to a second palm tree to get a
21 better look down Pleasant and he saw the same subject who had fired at him, running northeast
22 down Pleasant moving in between the parked cars along the street. The subject was about 40
23 yards ahead of Ofc. Romero. Ofc. Romero lost sight of the subject as the subject changed
24 direction and ran southeast down Pleasant out of view. He last saw the subject near the second
25 house on the south side of Pleasant just east of Grove. Once he lost visual of the subject and
26 the radio traffic cleared up a bit, Ofc. Romero was able to broadcast his location, what had
27 happened to him and the subjects last direction of travel.

28
29 Ofc. Romero described the subject who fired at him as a Hispanic male with dark hair wearing a
30 black shirt and dark denim jeans. Ofc. Romero estimated the subject had been 25-30 yards
31 away from his police unit when he fired at him from the alley. Ofc. Romero did not fire any of his
32 weapons during this incident.

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34 The interview ended at 0405 hrs.

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36 A few moments after the initial interview ended, Ofc. Romero said he wanted to add something
37 to his statement. Det. Cobb went back on the record at 0408 hrs to hear the additional
38 information. Once back on the record, Ofc. Romero told us had a loose rifle round in his
39 uniform pants pocket from when he unloaded his patrol rifle once the incident had stabilized.

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41 This interview ended at 0410 hrs.

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43 **Disposition:**

44 This report will be forwarded to Det. Cobb for his case book.

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7 **INTERVIEW WITH OFC. S. WEDDLE, OFC. D. MACIAS, OFC. E. ROMERO**

8 **Q=Det. R. Cobb**

9 **Q1=Det. R. Wheeler**

10 **A=Ofc. S. Weddle**

11 **A1=Ofc. D. Macias**

12 **A2=Ofc. E. Romero**

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15 Q: All right. This is, uh, Detective (Rick) Cobb. It is, uh, February 24, 2015,
16 approximately 3:52 am. This is an interview with Officer (Edwin) Romero
17 regarding Riverside Police Case Number P as in Paul 15028755. Um, we can
18 go around the room and everybody introduce themselves, please.

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20 Q2: (Saku Ether), with, um, RPOA attorney. Um, I'm here representing, um, all of
21 the officers involved, including Officer Romero.

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23 A: (John Brannan), Riverside District Attorney's Office.

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25 Q1: Detective (Rick) Wheeler, Riverside PD

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27 Q: All right. Thank you. And, (Soku), you wanted to give a statement before we
28 got started?

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30 Q2: I-I do. Um, as I've indicated in the prior interviews. Officer Romero is here,
31 um, pursuant to policy 4.8, which requires him to cooperate with this
32 investigation, provide a statement, and so he's here to answer your questions,
33 as required.

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35 Q: Thank you. Okay. Um, Officer Romero, what, uh, what were you working
36 tonight? What was your call sign?

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38 A2: Charles, C20.

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40 Q: And do you recall what unit you were driving?

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42 A2: 3507.

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44 Q: And were you, um, by yourself tonight, or did you have a partner?
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- 46 A2: By myself.
- 47
- 48 Q: Okay. Um, yeah. I see now, for the record, you're wearing a Riverside Police
49 Department Uniform. You have your (Sam Brown) belt on, and the works. Is
50 that exactly what you were wearing tonight when this incident occurred?
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- 52 A2: And this hat.
- 53
- 54 Q: And a h- - and a hat with the - it's a baseball cap. It's black with the words,
55 "Police," written in, uh, gold on the front. Okay. Um, like we've stated before,
56 Officer Romero, just kind of take us from the beginning when you first heard
57 the call come out regarding this incident and what your actions were after that.
58
- 59 A2: Um, I actually wasn't dispatched to the call. Uh, Officer Weddle and Macias
60 were dispatched, and I heard the circumstances over the air. So, I self-initiated
61 myself. I put assist - to assist them and I started driving over there.
62
- 63 Q: Okay. What happened when you got to the area?
- 64
- 65 A2: Um, when I got near the area, I was about, uh, (Grove) and (Pleasant), I heard
66 shots fired come out on the radio by Officer Weddle. Um, I continued driving
67 to the address on (Prospect) and I saw that their car was out there. Um, right
68 about when I came up by their car is when they had said that the suspect was
69 fleeing northbound.
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- 71 Q: Okay. And what did you do after that?
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- 73 A2: Um, I was going to - my thought was that I was going to go on (Park), and the
74 next street north, which was (Pleasant) to see if the suspect would, uh, go
75 down - or continue going northbound through the yard, but, uh, I then heard a
76 - a loud bang come from the alley area, which is, uh, between (Pleasant) and
77 (Prospect).
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- 79 Q: Okay. What kind - w-when you heard that bang, what did you think it was?
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- 81 A2: A gun - like a shotgun blast.
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- 83 Q: Okay. What did you do when you heard that shotgun blast?
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- 85 A2: Uh, I slowed my unit down to see if I could hear any more shots b- - or after. I
86 didn't hear anything else. Um, and I was going to drive down the alley 'cause
87 that's where I heard the shot come from, and I was confronted by the s- - the
88 suspect in the alley.
89
- 90 Q: And a- - describe to me how you were confronted by him.

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92 A2: Um, when I - when I broke the plain of that - there's a fence there, um, to
93 drive into the alley, I saw the suspect, so I stopped my car. Um, and he
94 pointed his shotgun at me. Um, and he shot - he shot towards me. I don't
95 know if he hit anything, but he shot towards me. Um, I saw the muzzle flash.
96 Um, I ducked down right af- - immediately after. Um, and I took out my riffle
97 out of the unit.
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99 Q: Okay. When he shot at you did he fire one time at you?
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101 A2: Yeah.
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103 Q: And this is while you're looking directly at the suspect?
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105 A2: Yes.
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107 Q: Okay. And you ducked down? Did you back up at all, or did you just duck
108 down?
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110 A2: I just ducked down. The car was already in park. So, I just ducked down. Um,
111 I grabbed my rifle and I g-got some cover behind my engine block.
112
113 Q: Okay. So, you - when the suspect shot at you, were you still sitting in the car?
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115 A2: Yes.
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117 Q: Okay. So, you ducked down kind of like in-in b-
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119 A2: Well...
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121 Q: In between the center console?
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123 A2: It was kind of like a duck and jump out of the car at the same t- - at the same
124 time type of deal. Like, I was...
125
126 Q: So...
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128 A2: ...ducking while getting out of the car.
129
130 Q: So, you - okay - so, I'm sorry. You actually ducked towards the driver's door?
131
132 A2: Yeah.
133
134 Q: Okay. And you open the door and you started to get out of the car?
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136 A2: Yeah.
137
138 Q: Okay. And then at that point you pulled out your rifle?
139
140 A2: Yeah.
141
142 Q: And when you say 'rifle', is that your shotgun, or your AR-15 rifle, if you - if
143 you carry one?
144
145 A2: The AR-15.
146
147 Q: Okay. Is that in one of the, uh - uh, holsters?
148
149 A2: Yes.
150
151 Q: Brackets right there? To the right, next to the shotgun?
152
153 A2: Yes.
154
155 Q: Okay. So you grabbed that and you actually got out of the car?
156
157 A2: Yes.
158
159 Q: And you took up cover next to your engine block?
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161 A2: Yes.
162
163 Q: Okay. Tell me what happened after that?
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165 A2: Um, I looked up over the engine block and I saw the suspect jumping a fence,
166 I believe it was a chain link fence. Um, so I - because I - I could see that he
167 was going north through the fence, or through that yard, I, uh, I ran to the first
168 palm tree. That - I think it was a palm tree there on the sidewalk of (Park)
169 Street, to get some cover. You want me to keep going?
170
171 Q: Okay. Yeah, please. Continue.
172
173 A2: Okay. Um, as I was going to that first palm tree, I heard the - I don't know if it
174 was the suspect, but I heard a shotgun rack. I'm pretty familiar with the way
175 that sounds.
176
177 Q: A shotgun rack?
178
179 A2: Yeah.
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181 Q: Somebody racking a shotgun? Okay.
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183 A2: Yeah, somebody racking a shotgun. Um, and I remember - I remember it
184 specifically because it reminded me to rack the round in my, uh, AR-15, so,
185 um, I ran from that palm to, I think, it was another palm tree that I was just a
186 little bit north of trying to parallel, um, the suspect as he was going north.
187 'Cause I couldn't - I didn't have the - a visual on him at that time. Um, and
188 then when I got to the second palm tree or-or light pole, I heard some fences
189 rustling near the north perimeter of that house, um, so I pried the - pried around
190 the corner and I saw the suspect run across the street, kind of diagonally,
191 and...
192
193 Q: What street is that?
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195 A2: (Pleasant) Street.
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197 Q: That's (Pleasant)? Okay.
198
199 A2: Yeah. He was running in a like northeast direction, so I c- - I figured he was
200 going to keep trying to jump fences north, but he kind of stayed on the
201 sidewalk, was cutting in and out of the - between the cars, um, I was chasing
202 the guy, which he probably had a good 40 yards in front of me. Um, didn't say
203 anything to him 'cause I was trying get out on the radio that I was there 'cause
204 nobody knew I was there. I hadn't put myself 97. 'Cause obviously I got shot
205 at.
206
207 Q: Mm-hm.
208
209 A2: Um, but there was some radio traffic on the air, so I couldn't say anything on
210 the radio, um, until I-I lost sight of him, um, when h-he headed back in a like
211 southeast direction towards the south end of the-the street there. I lost sight of
212 him, maybe like on the second house in from the corner. So, at that time, the -
213 the airtime freed up. I was able to put out the address I was at, and that's
214 where I last saw him and...
215
216 Q: Okay.
217
218 A2: ...the units showed up right after that.
219
220 Q: Okay. Just real quick. When you - when you were chasing after him and you
221 saw him while he was running, did you see him with a shotgun in his hand?
222 Could you tell?
223
224 A2: I - I - after he-he jumped - a-after he came out from behind the house, I did
225 not see the shotgun anymore.

226
227 Q: Okay. All right. I just want to kind of take you back to the beginning then.
228 Um, you - did you - you heard the original call come out, right? Do you
229 remember what the original call was?
230
231 A2: Um, I believe it was either a 415 verbal or a boy/girl type of call.
232
233 Q: And did you hear anything in the radio traffic about a shot being fired?
234
235 A2: Yes.
236
237 Q: Okay. So, then you knew that at least, uh, there was a possibly a gun
238 somewhere in this incident, correct?
239
240 A2: Yes.
241
242 Q: Okay. And as you're pulling up - I just want to be clear - you're on (Park)
243 Avenue?
244
245 A2: On (Grove).
246
247 Q: You're on (Grove)?
248
249 A2: Yeah.
250
251 Q: Okay. When you were actually shot, you were on (Grove)?
252
253 A2: No. When I was shot I was on (Park). I thought you meant like when I was
254 getting there.
255
256 Q: I apologize.
257
258 A2: Okay.
259
260 Q: You're right, that was - that was a little unclear on my part. So, when you -
261 when you're on (Park), and you're getting ready to go into that alley, you're
262 actually nose into the alley...
263
264 A2: Yeah.
265
266 Q: ...and you said you're at a threshold of the fence, is at that the - kind of the
267 property line of the first set of residences off the sidewalk?
268
269 A2: Yeah.
270

271 Q: Okay. And you're right there? You're-you're - you were already put in - you
272 said you were in park. Is that correct?

273
274 A2: Well, when...

275
276 Q: Or you put the...

277
278 A2: When I got shot at it was all like one motion is to get-get out of the car and
279 throw the car in park.

280
281 Q: Okay. So, were you technically still driving in when you saw the suspect?

282
283 A2: Yes.

284
285 Q: Okay. And when he shot at you were you still moving?

286
287 A2: No.

288
289 Q: Okay. You were stopped, but...

290
291 A2: Yeah.

292
293 Q: ...just your foot on the brake and the car is not in park?

294
295 A2: Yeah.

296
297 Q: Okay. Um, could you tell at all if your car had been hit when you were shot?

298
299 A2: I couldn't.

300
301 ((Crosstalk))

302
303 A2: I couldn't tell.

304
305 Q: Okay. Did you hear - it might've been hard, 'cause your - you're in your car.
306 Did you hear this guy yelling at you, or yelling anything?

307
308 A2: Didn't say anything to me.

309
310 Q: Okay. Just all of a sudden he's - and when you pulled in was it spontaneous
311 that you see him right away and then immediately he's got the shotgun
312 pointed at you?

313
314 A2: Yeah.

315

316 Q: Okay. Did any time elapse at all?

317
318 A2: None.

319
320 Q: Okay. So, you had no choice - you had no chance to back up? You had no
321 chance to do anything? He just immediately shot at you and at the same time
322 you threw the car into park and we - in the same motion were you trying to get
323 out of the car?

324
325 A2: Yeah.

326
327 Q: Okay. Um, now when you got your rifle out, and you said you took up a
328 position at your, uh, um, the front of your car, is that when you saw him start
329 to run off?

330
331 A2: Yeah, I-I saw him imm- - I saw him hit the fence, like he jumped over the
332 fence, um, between that first and that second house.

333
334 Q: Okay. Did you shoot at him at all?

335
336 A2: No.

337
338 Q: Okay. At any time during this incident, did you ever fire at y- - either one of
339 your weapons?

340
341 A2: No.

342
343 Q: Okay. And then, I just want to be clear, you s- - he took off in a northerly
344 direction over the fences, right?

345
346 A2: Yeah.

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348 Q: And you said you paralleled? Did you continue on (Park)?

349
350 A2: Yeah.

351
352 Q: Okay. And you - when did you, again, put eyes on him? When did you
353 observe him again? When you were still on (Park)? Or...

354
355 A2: It was - the house like a ch- - a small, chain link fence, so when I was - when I
356 got passed the phys- - the house portion, I-I'm able to h- - I had like a
357 diagonal on - of (Pleasant) there. So, I saw him running across the street.

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359 Q: Okay. Now, we're on (Pleasant) and he's running kind of northeast you said?

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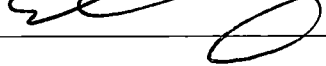
361 A2: Yeah.
362
363 Q: Okay. Is he running right in the middle of the street? Or is he on the sidewalk?
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365 A2: No, he-he ran from one s- - like from the sidewalk in a northeast direction to
366 the other sidewalk on the north side of the street.
367
368 Q: Okay. And he's - you said he was about 40 yards in front of you?
369
370 A2: Yeah.
371
372 Q: Okay. Um, and how long did you chase him before you l- - ended up losing
373 sight of him?
374
375 A2: I'd say maybe 500 feet. Approximately.
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377 Q: Okay. All right. At any time does he ever say anything? Is he turning around
378 looking at you? Is he...
379
380 A2: No.
381
382 Q: Okay. And just for the record, you were - you're driving, uh, one of the new
383 police Ford Explorers?
384
385 A2: Yes.
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387 Q: It's black and white, and it's got the, uh, red and blue lights on top?
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389 A2: Yes.
390
391 Q: Did you have any of your emergency - emergency lights on at all?
392
393 A2: No.
394
395 Q: Okay. Did you just have your headlights on?
396
397 A2: Yes.
398
399 Q: Okay. How about your spotlight?
400
401 A2: I don't recall if I turned it on.
402
403 Q: Um, got anything while I'm thinking?
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405 Q1: Do you remember the, uh, the guy that pointed the shotgun at you? Do - can

406 you describe him at all?
407
408 A2: He's a Hispanic male with dark hair. Um, he's wearing a-a black shirt, and
409 dark denim jeans.
410
411 Q1: Okay. When he pointed the, uh, shotgun at you, can you describe how he did
412 that?
413
414 A2: Yeah, he pretty much - he brought - I don't remember him bringing it up to
415 his like face, though, but he brought it up in front of him. He was holding,
416 just-just the way that we would normally carry his - the master grip, his hand
417 under the forearm, the fore end and...
418
419 Q1: Okay.
420
421 A2: And his trigger finger on the trigger, obviously.
422
423 Q1: And normally when we fire the shotgun we put it up to our shoulder and look
424 down the sights, is that what he was doing? Or was it more below that plain of
425 sight?
426
427 A2: I - I think it was more below that point, but I'm - I'm not too sure, honestly.
428 Like it - it all happened so fast that as soon as I heard the blast and saw th-the
429 muzzle bang, I just got out of the - I ducked down.
430
431 Q1: And no question in your mind that, that gun was pointed at you?
432
433 A2: No, there's no - there's no question in my mind.
434
435 Q1: Okay. Okay. That's all I got.
436
437 Q: Yeah. Um, how - how far away do you think the suspect was from the front of
438 your car?
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440 A2: I'd say he was at least the length of a - of a house or I'd say approximately 25
441 or 30 yards.
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443 Q: Okay. And again, he just fired one shot, correct?
444
445 A2: Yes.
446
447 Q: Okay. Uh, you know, I think that basically covers it. I can't think of anything
448 else, unless you think there's something that we might've, uh, neglected to ask
449 you?
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451 A2: No.

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453 Q: Okay. If that's the case, I'm going to go ahead and conclude the interview. It's
454 approximately 4:05 am

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457 The transcript has been reviewed with the audio recording submitted and it is an accurate
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INTERVIEW WITH OFC. E. ROMERO

Q=Det. R. Cobb

Q1=Woman

A=Ofc. E. Romero

Q: Rollin' again?

Q1: I'm on.

Q: Okay. We're back on the record. This is a continuing interview with Officer Romero. It is approximately, uh, 4:08 am. Uh, real quick it was brought up that w- uh, after you pulled out your AR 15 rifle that you, uh, might have racked a round and ejected an actual live round. Is the right?

A: Yes.

Q: Can you t- tell me where that happened.

A: Um, it happened after everything had settled down. I walked all the way back to my unit which is right there on (Park) at the alley. Um, and I took out the magazine and I racked out the live round that wa- I had racked in previously into the chamber. Um, it fell onto the - I can't remember if it was the ground or the seat but none the less, I - I threw the - the magazine back into the well and I picked up the - the live round and threw it in my pocket.

Q: Okay. So you were - you were just doing it to clear your weapon after the - the - basically the whole incident had concluded?

A: Yes.

Q: Is that correct?

A: Yes.

Q: Okay. You weren't - you didn't do this while you were in foot pursuit or anything like that? You just did it to clear your weapon to put it back into the car?

46 A: Yes.
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48 Q: Okay. And were you carryin' a 20 round a 30 round mag?
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50 A: 30 round.
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52 Q: Okay. And currently the - it's in your car still - the AR 15?
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54 A: Yes.
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56 Q: Okay. That - that - I think that clears it up. Okay. I'm gonna go ahead and
57 conclude the interview. It's now about 4:10 am.
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