



**STATE OF CONNECTICUT, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY-  
INVESTIGATION REPORT (DPS-302-E) (REVISED 2/3/06)**

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CFS NO 1200704559	INCIDENT DATE 12/14/2012	TIME 09:41	INCIDENT DATE 12/14/2012	TIME	PRIMARY OFFICER JEWISS, DANIEL E.	BADGE NO 0034	INVESTIGATING OFFICER LACLUYZE, MATTHEW	BADGE NO 0548
INCIDENT ADDRESS 00012 Dickison Dr Dr/ Newtown 06482					APARTMENT NO	TOWN CD	TYPE OF EXCEPTIONAL CLEARANCE Not Applicable	CASE STATUS Active

STATUS CODE C=COMPLAINANT V=VICTIM A=ARRESTEE J=JUVENILE H=OTHER M=MISSING W=WITNESS O=OFFENDER D=DRIVER S=SUSPECT P=POLICE OFFICER T=TOT

STATUS	NAME	SEX	RACE	D.O.B.	TELEPHONE	ADDRESS	OP STATE & NO.
W	REED, JOHN	M		03	Bus (203) 470 - 7050	03	CT 03

Date and Time of Interview:

December 20, 2012 at approximately 1225 hours

Person Interviewed:

John Reed (dob 03 )  
24 Hospital Ave.  
Danbury CT, 06810  
Tel. 203-470-7050

Place Interviewed:

Danbury Hospital  
24 Hospital Ave.  
Danbury CT, 06810

Action Taken

On December 20, 2012 Trooper Connolly # 431 and I interviewed John Reed in a conference room at Danbury Hospital. Reed is a paramedic supervisor of emergency medical services for Danbury Hospital. In the room during the interview are Melinda Monson,

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attorney for Western Connecticut Health Network, and attorney Edward Heath, of Robinson and Cole, LLP, legal counsel for Danbury Hospital, Trooper McDonald #951 and Detective Bukowski #763 of the Connecticut State Police.

Reed stated he is a licensed paramedic and has been since 1992. Reed stated in 2006 he was trained as a Tactical Paramedic Operator and is currently a supervisor of a local tactical EMS team.

Reed stated that on the morning of December 14, 2012 he was working at Danbury Hospital and assigned to the City Division for the ambulance. Reed stated that he heard over the CMED radio that Newtown Ambulance was going to stage behind the Sandy Hook Fire House for a Critical Intervention (CI) patient. Reed stated he then spoke with Matt Cassavechia (Director of Emergency Medical Services for Danbury Hospital) about the Newtown ambulance being dispatched. Cassavechia relayed to Reed that there was possibly an active shooter at the school. At that time Danbury EMS had not been requested. Reed stated that Cassavechia had started taking precautionary measures and started checking availability of EMS personnel. Reed stated within minutes of their conversation they received a radio page requesting assistance. Reed stated he grabbed all his tactical EMS gear and was assigned to the 'fly car' and responded to the scene.

Once at the scene, Reed was directed by police and fire personnel toward the school. Reed stated he parked along the driveway and put on his vest and started walking up to the scene. Reed stated as he was walking up he saw Sandy Hook Fire Chief Bill Hallstead and Cassavechia talking. Reed stated Sgt Bill Cario (CSP) was also talking with Cassavechia. Reed said as he got to them, Cassavechia told him to grab his gear because they were going into the building. Reed stated he went back to his vehicle and grabbed all his tactical gear, which is marked 'Paramedic'. As Reed was walking back up toward the building he encountered Bernie Meehan, who is the Danbury assistant Fire Chief and a paramedic. We both started walking up toward the building to where Sgt Cario was. We (Cassavechia, Meehan, and Reed) were then escorted inside the building by Troopers and taken to one of the rooms. Reed stated as they were walking down the hallway he saw several police officers and also saw a rifle clip with .223 rounds in it laying on the floor. Troopers told him to be mindful of the rifle clip as they were walking.

Reed stated once in the room he quickly realized the magnitude of the incident. He stated there were a substantial amount of casualties and they spent a significant amount of time assessing the victims. Reed stated they all understood that it is a crime scene, but was told by command staff that do what they needed to do. Reed stated they assessed all the victims that did not have

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apparent fatal injuries. He said the bathroom on the left was really bad.

Reed stated they went into the other room with victims and the shooter was just inside the doorway. He said the shooter had a Glock near him with a round stuck in the chamber and was wearing hearing protection. Reed said there were several victims in the room also, including an adult and a child. Reed stated he remembers seeing an assault rifle about fifteen feet away from the shooter.

Reed stated they then assessed the two adult victims in the hallway and utilized the cardiac machine. Reed stated that Cassavechia had spoken to the Emergency Medical Control Physician D. Pat Broderick and they decided that all victims with obvious non-life sustainable head wounds would be checked with the cardiac machine. Reed stated they re-assessed the victims in the rooms utilizing the cardiac machine. Reed stated that all the victims were given a triage tag, except for the victims in the bathroom. Those tags were put on the thermostat outside the bathroom door. Reed stated they did not want to disturb the crime scene any more than they already had. Reed stated with each victim that they utilized the cardiac machine on they left the EKG printout from the machine on the triage tag of victim.

Reed stated he left the building twice to obtain more supplies and went back inside the building. Reed stated he stayed on scene until 9:00 PM- 9:30 PM until they could retrieve their equipment from the building. Reed stated they cleared the scene once all the equipment was retrieved from the school.

Refer to attached written statement for further details.

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