



**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
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DIVISION OF STATE POLICE**



**Victim/Witness Statement**

<b>Date:</b> 2/26/2019	<b>Time Started:</b> 1248 hours	<b>Time Ended:</b> 1424 hours	<b>CFS #:</b> 1900085455
<b>Location:</b> Norwich Police Department, 70 Thames St. Norwich, CT			<b>Statement taken by:</b> Det. Shaun Tucker #1237

I, Officer Christopher Nott #1039 Date of Birth: [REDACTED]  
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*CH* My name is Officer Christopher Nott #1039, of the Norwich Police Department. I have been employed with the Norwich Police Department since April 4, 2012. I do not have any previous law enforcement experience prior to my employment by the Norwich Police Department. On Wednesday, February 20, 2019, I was assigned to day shift on overtime from 0800 hours to 1600 hours. I was assigned to the Center Late patrol during my shift. My beat partner was Officer Brad Fournier #1010, who was assigned the Center Early patrol. On February 20, 2019, I was carrying my department assigned Smith & Wesson MP40 caliber handgun bearing Serial #MRJ2349. I train with my assigned handgun annually. The ammunition I carried that day was department issued Federal, S&W, .40, and my firearm and magazines were fully loaded. When my firearm is fully loaded it holds (15) rounds in the magazine plus (1) round in the chamber. I also carry two additional magazines which hold (15) rounds each. Fully loaded I have (46) rounds on my person while on duty, which is what I had on February 20, 2019. My firearm was clean prior to duty on that day. I carry a patrol rifle on duty, which is a personally owned Stag Arms AR-15, but on February 20, 2019 my rifle remained in my cruiser locked in the trunk. That day I was wearing my assigned Norwich Police Department uniform. My uniform shirt was long sleeve with a Norwich Police Department patch on each shoulder, a cloth badge on the chest, and a name tag bearing the name "Nott". I was wearing body armor under my uniform shirt. I had my gun belt on which carried my assigned firearm, and two additional magazines, asp, flashlight, portable radio, two sets of handcuffs, and OC spray. I was wearing dark blue uniform pants and black boots.

On February 20, 2019, at around 1045 hours, I was parked in the parking lot of Christ Church on Washington St. in Norwich. I was dispatched to 228 Broad Street, Norwich, CT, for the report of a possible burglary in progress. I had been to that area many times in the past for prior calls. I was dispatched Code 2, which is lights and sirens. I used my emergency lights and siren while enroute to the address. Prior to arriving I turned off my lights and siren. Upon arrival, I parked my assigned cruiser, a black Ford Taurus Police *ow*

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*CW* Interceptor marked "Police" on the sides, upon the sidewalk on the north side of the roadway, just west of the driveway to 228 Broad St. facing the wrong way.

After parking my cruiser, I exited my vehicle and I observed a black male, wearing all black clothes, to include a black jacket or hooded sweatshirt, exit the residence at 228 Broad St. from the front door on the right side of the front of the house. The black male had a shaved head or short hair, and had an athletic build. There are two front doors. The black male left the front door open. The black male was walking at a fast pace down the front yard, approaching the stone wall and Broad St.

As he exited the house, I began walking toward 228 Broad St. on the sidewalk. I walked past the driveway toward where the center of the yard was, remaining on the sidewalk, and I engaged the black male in conversation. I asked the black male what he was doing, and he replied with "I'm good, I'm good". I asked the black male if I could talk to him, and he replied with, "I'm good, I'm good." While speaking with the black male I observed that his right hand remained in his right pocket the entire time. The black male was about ten feet away from me at this time. He looked to me as if he was going to run. I saw him looking around as if he was looking for a place to run. His manner of speech was calm as he stated he was good multiple times.

I observed the black male pick up his pace as he continued to walk down the front yard toward Broad St, and he jumped down from the stone wall and onto Broad Street, where he began to jog away from me, heading across toward the other side of Broad St. As he was jogging, I radioed into Norwich Police Department dispatch to advise that I was out with a suspicious suspect and that he was attempting to run. *CW*

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As the subject was running away from me I observed that his right hand was still in his right jacket pocket. Based on my training and experience, this led me to believe he could possibly have a weapon on his person. I began to run after the suspect, and after about 10 feet, the black male turned his body to his right, and produced a black handgun from his right jacket pocket. I immediately recognized the weapon to be a handgun. The suspect fired, I believe, 1-2 rounds at me. At this time the suspect was about fifteen to twenty feet away from me. I definitely heard at least one shot, but it could have been two. I feel like I felt a round go by me. I was in the middle of Broad St. with the top (intersection) of Lake St to my right, when the suspect fired at me. The suspect was in the middle of Broad St heading toward the south side of Broad St when he fired at me.

I drew my duty weapon from my holster, and returned fire at the suspect as I moved to the right to take cover. I saw a telephone pole to my right, but determined that it would be better cover to make my way toward a white house at the corner of Broad St. and Lake St. I was moving toward Lake St. so I could put the white house between myself and the suspect. I fired my weapon as I moved toward cover. I do not know how many rounds I fired, and I don't know where my rounds hit. I returned fire upon the suspect because I wanted to prevent serious injury or death to myself, other police officers on scene, and civilians who may have been struck by the shot(s) fired by the suspect. I radioed to Norwich Police Department dispatch using my lapel microphone on my police portable radio, something to the effect of "shots fired, shots fired, black male wearing all black". The area of Broad St. is known by officers of the Norwich Police to have a poor signal for police radio communications. I left cover in an attempt to see if I could put eyes on the suspect. As I left cover, I observed Officer Rosedale in a foot pursuit after the suspect heading down Broad St toward where I had last seen the suspect. I heard Officer Rosedale yell "shots fired" multiple times over the radio, and I remember Officer Rosedale say that the suspect was getting in a car in front of the Square Package Store. I made my way across Broad St to the north side of the road near the front yard of 228 Broad St. At this time I saw what I believe was a green sedan take off at a high rate of speed onto Boswell Avenue, heading north.

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*Ca* performed a tactical reload, ejecting the magazine from my handgun where it fell to the ground, and reloading with a full magazine from my duty belt.

At this time, I remained on scene and waited for more officers to arrive. I wanted to make sure that Officer Fournier was ok because I knew he had went up to the house, but I had not seen him yet. Officer Carmody #1011, arrived on scene, and we located Officer Fournier, who was safe, and together we cleared the house where the suspect originally came from. While myself, Officer Fournier and Officer Carmody cleared the house I stayed on the first floor. I never made contact with the caller who initially called in the complaint. The house was clear.

Sgt. Gomes #274 arrived on scene shortly after, and I went to Backus Hospital with an ankle injury. I don't know how or when it happened, but about five minutes after the incident I realized that my right ankle hurt *Ca*

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