



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

Report #: 1200704559 - 00063270

Report Type: Initial Report: Prosecutors Report: Supplement: Re-open: Assist: Closing:

Attachments: Statements: Teletype: Photos: Sketchmap: Evidence: Other:

CFS NO 1200704559	INCIDENT DATE 12/14/2012	TIME 09:41	INCIDENT DATE 12/14/2012	TIME	PRIMARY OFFICER JEWISS, DANIEL E.	BADGE NO 0336	INVESTIGATING OFFICER PETERS, ALISON A.	BADGE NO 0816
INCIDENT ADDRESS 00012 Dickinson 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=TO

STATUS	NAME	SEX	RACE	D.O.B.	TELEPHONE	ADDRESS	OP STATE & NO.
W	Thorne, Richard	M	W	03			

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FOLLOW-UP INTERVIEW RICHARD THORNE JR

DATE AND TIME OF INTERVIEW:

On 03/21/13 beginning at 1000 hours and ending at 1130 hours.

PLACE OF INTERVIEW:

Troop A, Southbury
90 Lakeside Drive
Southbury, CT

INTERVIEWEE:

Richard Thorne Jr. DOB 03

THE UNDERSIGNED, AN INVESTIGATOR HAVING BEEN DULY SWORN DEPOSES AND SAYS THAT: I AM THE WRITER OF THE ATTACHED POLICE REPORT PERTAINING TO THIS INCIDENT NUMBER. THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED THEREIN WAS SECURED AS A RESULT OF (1) MY PERSONAL OBSERVATION AND KNOWLEDGE; OR (2) INFORMATION RELAYED TO ME BY OTHER MEMBERS OF MY POLICE DEPARTMENT OR OF ANOTHER POLICE DEPARTMENT; OR (3) INFORMATION SECURED BY MYSELF OR ANOTHER MEMBER OF A POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM THE PERSON OR PERSONS NAMED OR IDENTIFIED THEREIN, AS INDICATED IN THE ATTACHED REPORT. THAT THE REPORT IS AN ACCURATE STATEMENT OF THE INFORMATION SO RECEIVED BY ME.

INVESTIGATOR SIGNATURE: <i>TFC ALISON A. PETERS</i>	INVESTIGATOR I.D.#: 0816	REPORT DATE: 03/22/2013 10:16 am 03008	SUPERVISOR SIGNATURE: <i>Sgt. [Signature]</i>	SUPERVISOR I.D.#: 130
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ACTION TAKEN:

On 03/21/13 at approximately 1000 hours, I met with Richard Thorne Jr., DOB [REDACTED] 03 at the State Police Troop A Barracks, Southbury, CT with regards to the ongoing investigation. During the interview, Thorne stated, in part, the following:

That he is a custodian at the SHES and has been for 9 years. On 12/14/12, he was working day shift instead of his usual evening shift. At an unknown time, he had completed the task of setting up tables in the cafeteria and had entered the custodian office. He was there for approximately 30 seconds, when he heard a noise coming from the front of the school. Thorne stated that it sounded like a ton of glass hitting the floor and it also sounded like pipes, "just something crashing". Thorne stated that it was all one sound. Thorne stated that he couldn't imagine what it was as he had just came back from that area. Thorne stated that he started running toward the front lobby. Thorne stated that when he got to the corner of the wall, he could see bullet holes in the glass in front of him. Thorne stated that he "hit the brakes" at the corner when he smelled the gunpowder. Thorne stated that he doesn't know how he knew it to be gunpowder because he does not know guns. He also remembered it being cloudy. Thorne stated that when he realized what was going on, he turned and started running back down the hallway (toward the rear of the school). He called 911, from a school cell phone, relayed to the dispatcher what was going on, told teachers to stay in their classes, and then he started locking doors, all at the same time. Thorne stated that the 911 dispatcher asked him "Rick, how many are there?" Thorne stated that he took this to mean shooter or shooters. Thorne stated that he began to run toward the lobby again and when he reached his office area, seconds later, the police showed up. Thorne stated that he remembers hearing shooting up to that point because he told the dispatcher that it was still going on, but he knew that it had stopped when the police arrived. Thorne stated that the police told him not to move and he complied. Thorne stated that he was handcuffed because he could not provide a school ID. Thorne stated that he gave the keys for the school to the police, told them how to get up to the roof, and was later escorted across the parking lot. Thorne stated that he never saw the shooter and could not give any details on the gunshots.

See attached written statement prepared and notarized by me, witnessed by TFC Lewis #920, and sworn to and signed by Thorne.

CASE STATUS: This case will remain active pending further investigation.

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