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Investigative Report Released for January 2023 Fatal Officer-Involved Shooting in White Marsh

BALTIMORE, MD (August 17, 2023) – The Independent Investigations Division (IID) of the Office of the Attorney General today released its investigative report of the January 31, 2023, fatal officer-involved shooting in White Marsh.

On January 31, at approximately 6:10 a.m., detectives with the Baltimore County Police Department’s Criminal Apprehension Support Team were in the 10700 Block of Pulaski Highway in White Marsh conducting surveillance on a SUV, occupied by Brian McCourry and a second individual. Detectives were searching for both Mr. McCourry and the second individual as they had outstanding warrants and were separately wanted in connection with two shootings that had occurred in December 2022. Detectives attempted to perform a vehicle block and pin the SUV between their cars and the gas pump. The driver of the SUV, Mr. McCourry, maneuvered out of the block and struck an unmarked, unoccupied police vehicle in front of him before continuing through the parking lot. One detective, Jonathan Trenary, discharged his firearm, striking Mr. McCourry in the upper body. The SUV continued traveling through a parking lot and struck an unrelated civilian vehicle, causing only property damage. Mr. McCourry was taken to an area hospital where he died on March 3. No other individuals were injured.

An autopsy was performed on March 4, the day after Mr. McCourry’s death. The IID and the State’s Attorney’s Office agreed that an interim report would be useful, and the IID forwarded its interim investigative report to the Baltimore County State’s Attorney’s Office on April 11, 2023. The IID concluded its investigation and provided the State’s Attorney’s Office a supplemental report on June 15, 2023. The Baltimore County State’s Attorney’s Office notified the IID on July 14 of its decision not to prosecute the case.

The IID’s report contains detailed investigative findings and an analysis of relevant legal issues. Because the Baltimore County State’s Attorney’s Office—not the IID—retains prosecution authority^[1] in this case, the report does not make any recommendations as to whether any individual should or should not be charged. A copy of the investigative report can be found [here](#).

^[1] Beginning October 1, 2023, the IID will have the sole authority, where appropriate, to prosecute police-involved incidents that result in the death of an individual or injuries that are likely to result in the death of an individual
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By law, the IID's report must remain confidential until any related prosecution is completed or the State's Attorney's Office declines to prosecute. If the local State's Attorney decides to prosecute the matter, the IID will release the report, with appropriate redactions for confidentiality, within 30 days of a final judgment of all defendants in the case. If the local State's Attorney declines to prosecute, the IID will release the report, with appropriate redactions for confidentiality, within 30 days of that determination.

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