

Officer Involved Shooting Incident Summary

September 14, 2023: 900 E. Westmoreland Street (OISI: 23-23)

On Thursday, September 14, 2023, at approximately 9:25 p.m., Officer 1 and his partner, Officer 2 were operating a marked patrol vehicle and in full uniform in the area of 3200 Kensington Ave. when they made contact with a robbery victim. The robbery victim was walking down the street when he was approached by a man on a bike with a gun. The suspect struck the victim in the hand with a gun and took his cell phone. The suspect then fled on his bike with the victim following.

The officers followed both men to the 900 block of E. Westmoreland St. When Officer 1 stopped the police vehicle, Officer 2 exited the passenger's door of the police vehicle in order to approach the robbery suspect on foot. At this point, the robbery suspect discharged his weapon twice at Officer 1, who was positioned in the driver's seat of the police vehicle. Officer 1 returned fire, striking the suspect in the left ankle. The suspect fell to the ground and dropped the gun. He was placed into custody and transported to Temple University Hospital in stable condition.

Officer 1 is a 9 year veteran of the Philadelphia Police Department and assigned to the 14th Police District. Officer 1 was placed on administrative duty pending the outcome of the Internal Affairs and Officer-Involved Shooting Investigations.