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On 11/14/07, at approximately 10:01 P.M., plainclothes officers along with Federal officers were conducting a surveillance of a Toyota FJ Cruiser that was taken point of gun in a carjacking, in Havertown PA. The vehicle was parked unattended in the rear driveway in the 5900 block of Warrington Avenue. As the officers were observing the Toyota, a Range Rover, occupied by two offenders and a Jeep Cherokee, occupied by a third offender, entered the driveway. The officers knew the Range Rover had been stolen in a carjacking on the same date. The officers blocked the driveway to prevent the suspects from escaping. The officers positioned their Ford Expedition at the west end of the driveway, while two other officers positioned their surveillance vehicle at the east end of the driveway.

The Range Rover and Cherokee drove westbound through the driveway, but their path was blocked by the Ford Expedition. The offender driving the Jeep Cherokee reversed his vehicle striking a parked red Pontiac Grand AM and an unmarked, occupied police vehicle. The officers exited their vehicle as the Cherokee struck another unmarked, occupied police vehicle. The officers heard the engine of the Cherokee revving and several officers discharged their weapons, striking the offender driving the Cherokee. The offender was transported to the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania.

A .40 caliber semi-automatic handgun loaded with eight live rounds used by the suspects during both carjacking incidents was recovered from the Jeep Cherokee.