## PS#16-03

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On Thursday, February 4, 2016, at approximately 7:32 P.M., a uniformed police officer in a marked police vehicle, was patrolling in the Greenmont Cemetery in the 4300 block of N. Front Street when he heard multiple gunshots coming from inside the cemetery. The officer observed a blue Saturn traveling through the cemetery at a high rate of speed. The officer notified Police Radio of the situation. The officer then observed the Saturn drive toward the Front Street exit of the cemetery where a second police vehicle attempted to stop the Saturn. The Saturn drove past the second police vehicle and fled north on Front Street with both police vehicles now in pursuit. At the intersection of Loudon and "D" Streets, the Saturn stuck a moving vehicle, followed by a parked vehicle. The Saturn initially stopped after striking the parked vehicle. Officers from the second police vehicle stopped their vehicle in front of the Saturn and exited the vehicle. Two passengers from the Saturn exited the vehicle and fled on foot. The male driver of the Saturn then put his vehicle in reverse and struck a police vehicle, which was behind it. The Saturn then began to drive forward. One of the officers from the second police vehicle moved to the side of the Saturn and believing that the vehicle was driving toward his partner discharged his weapon two times, striking the driver door of the Saturn. The Saturn then struck the open passenger door of the second police vehicle, where it ultimately came to rest. Two offenders were removed from the Saturn and taken into custody. The two offenders that had fled on foot were also taken into custody. One police officer deployed his ECW on one of the offenders that had fled the scene, after the offender charged at the officer.

One of the offenders in the vehicle was wanted on an arrest warrant and for probation violations. A second offender was also wanted for probation violations.

The two wanted offenders were transported to Episcopal Hospital for minor injuries.

There were no injuries as a result of the police firearm discharge.

The offender's firearm, a 9MM, semi-automatic pistol, loaded with seven live rounds was recovered from inside the Saturn.

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