



Media Information

Columbus Division of Police
Homicide Bureau / Accident Investigation Unit

Date: 6/28/2024

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Type of Offense/Incident: Fatal Traffic Crash

Date: 6/27/2024

Time: 10:48 pm

Location of Offense/Incident: W/B I-70 E/O St Rt 315

Zone: 5

Precinct: 16

Incident Report #: 240468338

Cruiser District: 160

Victim: Russel Parsley	Sex: M	Race: W	Age: 29
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Incident Summary: On 6/27/2024 at 10:48 pm, Russel Parsley was operating a 1998 Harley Davidson Electra Glide westbound on I-70 approaching State Route 315. For reasons still under investigation Mr. Parsley lost control of the motorcycle. He then ran off the left side of the roadway into the gore area between westbound I-70 and the ramps to I-71 southbound/St. Rt. 315 northbound. He then laid the motorcycle down then both he and the motorcycle slid into the rear of a construction vehicle parked in the gore.

Columbus Fire Medic #2 arrived and transported Mr. Parsley to Grant Medical Center in critical condition. At 11:23 pm Mr. Parsley was pronounced deceased.

The Columbus Police Accident Investigation Unit responded to the crash scene and initiated an investigation, which is ongoing.

The construction vehicle parked awaiting to do a lane closure for the #1 westbound I-70 lane and was surrounded by orange construction barrels. There were 2 occupants in the vehicle when it was struck. There were no witnesses at the crash scene when officers arrived.

Any person with knowledge of the crash is encouraged to contact the Accident Investigation Unit at (614) 645-4767. Persons wishing to remain anonymous may contact Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-8477.

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