



**Ohio Attorney General's Office**  
**Bureau of Criminal Investigation**  
Investigative Report



2021-0957

Officer-Involved Critical Incident- 3171 Legion Ln, Columbus

Investigative Activity: Records Received; Document Review

Activity Date: 6/4/2021

Activity Location: BCI

Authoring Agent: SA Matt Collins, #151

**Narrative:**

On Wednesday, May 05, 2021, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Matt Collins (SA Collins) received Ohio BCI Laboratory report(s) for items of evidence submitted on April 21, 2021, for scientific analysis (laboratory case number 21-14430). The report originated from the Firearms section of the laboratory and was authored by Forensic Scientist Daniel Steiner. The items relevant to this report which had previously been submitted were as follows:

- 1-4. Four (4) fired Cartridge cases found on either sidewalk or in the grass at the scene
5. Smith and Wesson M&P 9mm pistol (serial # [REDACTED])
6. Three Fired Jacketed Bullets (6-1B, 6-3B, 6-5B) recovered at autopsy

SA Collins reviewed the laboratory report and noted the following:

The report indicated the fired cartridge casings from the scene as well as the fired jacketed bullets recovered from the body of Ma'Khia Bryant came from the Smith and Wesson pistol possessed by Ofc. Reardon.

A copy of the Ohio BCI Laboratory report is attached to this investigative report. Please refer to the attachment for further details.



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OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL

**Bureau of Criminal Investigation**

**Laboratory Report  
Firearms**

To: BCI / Madison  
SA Matt Collins  
1560 S.R. 56 SW  
London, OH 43140

BCI Laboratory Number: 21-14430

Analysis Date:  
April 27, 2021

Issue Date:  
May 3, 2021

Agency Case Number: 2021-0957  
BCI Agent: Chad Holcomb

Offense: Shooting Involving an Officer  
Subject(s): N/A  
Victim(s): N/A

**Submitted on April 21, 2021 by S/A Chad Holcomb:**

1. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge case found on sidewalk (BCI #1, Scene #1)
  - One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case
2. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge case found on sidewalk (BCI #2, Scene #1)
  - One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case
3. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge case found on sidewalk (BCI #3, Scene #1)
  - One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case
4. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge case found in grass (BCI #4, Scene #1)
  - One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case
5. White box containing firearm (serial # [REDACTED]), weapon light, magazine, and cartridges (BCI #11, Scene #1)
  - One (1) Smith & Wesson model M&P9 M2.0, 9mm Luger semi-automatic pistol, serial # [REDACTED] with attached light, one (1) magazine and fourteen (14) unfired 9mm Luger cartridges

**Submitted on April 28, 2021 by S/A Chad Holcomb:**

6. One manila envelope containing projectiles recovered from the body of MaKhia Bryant at autopsy (BCI #1, Scene #2)
  - Three (3) fired jacketed bullets (6-1B, 6-3B, 6-5B)
  - Two (2) jacketed bullet fragments (6-2B, 6-4B)

Please address inquiries to the office indicated, using the BCI case number.

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Bowling Green, OH 43402  
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London, OH 43140  
Phone:(740)845-2000

BCI -Richfield Office  
4055 Highlander Pkwy. Suite A  
Richfield, OH 44286  
Phone:(330)659-4600

**Findings**

Item Description	Comparison	Conclusion
Item 5: Smith & Wesson pistol	N/A	Operable
	Items 1, 2, 3, 4: Four (4) fired 9mm Luger cartridge cases	Source Identification
	Item 6 (6-1B, 6-3B, 6-5B): Three (3) fired jacketed bullets	Source Identification
Item 6 (6-2B, 6-4B): Two (2) jacketed bullet fragments	N/A	Unsuitable <sup>^</sup>

<sup>^</sup>Insufficient class and/or individual characteristics present.

**Remarks**

Three (3) of the fourteen (14) submitted cartridges from item #5 were used for test firing.

No fired cartridge cases were entered into the NIBIN database.

The remaining submitted items from item #5 were not examined at this time.

All evidence will be returned to the submitting agency.

**Analytical Detail**

Analytical findings offered above were determined using visual and microscopic examinations / comparisons.



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Based on scientific analyses performed, this report contains opinions and interpretations by the analyst whose signature appears above. Examination documentation and any demonstrative data supporting laboratory conclusions are maintained by BCI and will be made available for review upon request.

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### Comparison Conclusion Scale

The following lists the conclusions a Forensic Scientist may reach when performing comparisons. In reaching a conclusion, a Forensic Scientist considers the similarities and dissimilarities and assesses the relative support of the observations under the following two propositions: the evidence originated from the same source or from a different source.

A Forensic Scientist may utilize their knowledge, training, and experience to evaluate how much support the observed similarities or dissimilarities provide for one conclusion over another. A conclusion shall not be communicated with absolute certainty. It is an interpretation of observations made by the Forensic Scientists and shall be expressed as an expert opinion.

1	Source Identification	The observations provide extremely strong support for the proposition that the evidence originated from the same source and the likelihood for the proposition that the evidence arose from a different source is so remote as to be considered a practical impossibility.
2	Support for Same Source	The observations provide more support for the proposition that the evidence originated from the same source rather than different sources; however, there is insufficient support for a Source Identification. The degree of support may range from limited to strong or similar descriptors of the degree of support. Any use of this conclusion shall include a statement of the factor(s) limiting a stronger conclusion.
3	Inconclusive	The observations do not provide a sufficient degree of support for one proposition over the other. Any use of this conclusion shall include a statement of the factor(s) limiting a stronger conclusion.
4	Support for Different Source	The observations provide more support for the proposition that the evidence originated from different sources rather than the same source; however, there is insufficient support for a Source Exclusion. The degree of support may range from limited to strong or similar descriptors of the degree of support. Any use of this conclusion shall include a statement of the factor(s) limiting a stronger conclusion.
5	Source Exclusion	The observations provide extremely strong support for the proposition that the evidence originated from a different source and the likelihood for the proposition that the evidence arose from the same source is so remote as to be considered a practical impossibility; or the evidence exhibits fundamentally different characteristics

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<b>Laboratory Evidence Submission</b>				Date/Time Received: 04/28/2021 11:57 am Wednesday		BCI Case Number: <b>21-14430</b>			
Received By: Jennie Brubaker				Agency Case Number: 2021-0957					
New Case		ADD'L (If checked, provide BCI Case No) Submission #: 2							
Case Type: Shooting Involving an Officer		Date of Offense: 04/20/2021		Location of Offense: 3171 Legion Lane Columbus, OH 43232		County of Submitting Agency: Madison County			
Subject(s): (First Name)		MI	Last Name	BCI #	Race	Sex	DOB		
Victim(s): (First Name)		MI	Last Name	BCI #	Race	Sex	DOB		
Submitting Agency Name/ORI: BCI / Madison OHBCI0000				Investigating Officer Name: SA Matt Collins					
Mailing Address: 1560 S.R. 56 SW London, OH 43140				Investigating Officer Phone: 419-419-3604					
				Submitting Officer: S/A Chad Holcomb <i>SAC Holc #61</i>					
				BCI Crime Scene Agent: Chad Holcomb		Crime Scene Case No: 2021-0957			
DNA <input type="checkbox"/>	Biology <input type="checkbox"/>	CODN <input type="checkbox"/>	Chemistry <input type="checkbox"/>	Documents <input type="checkbox"/>	Firearms <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NIBIN <input type="checkbox"/>	GSR <input type="checkbox"/>	Latent Prints <input type="checkbox"/>	Trace <input type="checkbox"/>

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**Item Number: 6**

Packaging: One manila envelope containing

Item Description: - projectiles recovered from the body of MaKhia Bryant at autopsy (BCI #1, Scene #2)

Subject in custody for this offense? <input type="checkbox"/>		Subject charged for this offense? <input type="checkbox"/>		Trial Date:		Grand Jury Date:	
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BCI & I Youngstown Office 20 Federal Plaza West Youngstown, OH 44503 Phone: (330) 659-4600		BCI & I Athens Office 86 Columbus Circle Suite 202 Athens, OH 45701 Phone: (740) 249-4378					
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Case Type: Shooting Involving an Officer		Date of Offense: 04/20/2021		Investigating Officer Name: SA Matt Collins		Investigating Officer Phone: 419-419-3604			
Subject(s): (First Name)		MI	Last Name	BCI #	Race	Sex	DOB		
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Submitting Agency Name/ORI: BCI / Madison OHBCI0000				Submitting Officer: S/A Chad Holcomb					
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Item Description: - fired cartridge case found on sidewalk (BCI #1, Scene #1)
- Item Number: 2**  
Packaging: One manila envelope containing  
Item Description: - fired cartridge case found on sidewalk (BCI #2, Scene #1)
- Item Number: 3**  
Packaging: One manila envelope containing  
Item Description: - fired cartridge case found on sidewalk (BCI #3, Scene #1)
- Item Number: 4**  
Packaging: One manila envelope containing  
Item Description: - fired cartridge case found in grass (BCI #4, Scene #1)

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Case Type: Shooting Involving an Officer	Date of Offense: 04/20/2021	Location of Offense: 3171 Legion Lane Columbus, OH 43232	County of Submitting Agency: Madison County

**Item Number: 5**

Packaging: White box containing

Item Description: - firearm (serial # [REDACTED]), weapon light, magazine, and cartridges (BCI #11, Scene #1)

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