

Investigative Report



Officer Involved Critical Incident - 10180 Busenburg Rd., Howard, OH 43028, Knox County



Investigative Activity: Review of Knox County Sheriff's Office Incident Report

Involves: Knox County Sheriff's Office (O)

Activity Date: 07/01/2025

Activity Location: BCI Richfield, 4055 Highlander Parkway, Richfield, OH

44286

Authoring Agent: SA Joseph Lamping #184

Narrative:

On Tuesday, June 17, 2025, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Joe Lamping (SA Lamping) received documents from the Knox County Sheriff's Office (KCSO) Chief Deputy Richard Miller. The records which were requested included any reports pertaining to the June 5, 2025, officer-involved critical incident, except for any statements made by the involved officers. SA Lamping reviewed the documents and noted the following:

A total of four files were provided by KCSO that relate to the June 5, 2025, incident. Each file contained some level of duplicative information. The two most complete files titled Busenburg Rd property info" and "Domestic Violence – Jerrad D. Ray, Lloyd J Ray and Lauretta Beltz-Frazee on 06-05-2025" were reviewed so that all of the provided information could be documented.

<u>Domestic Violence - Jerrad D. Ray, Lloyd J Ray and Lauretta Beltz-Frazee on 06-05-2025 (24 pages):</u>

This report documents the action taken by KCSO personnel following the officer involved critical incident on June 5, 2025. It was authored by KCSO Lt. Craig Feeney (Lt. Feeney) with supplements from Fredericktown Police Department Officer Justin Hoffman (Officer Hoffman) and KCSO Sqt. Brandon Minot (Sqt. Minot).

The report lists the incident as a domestic disturbance that was reported at 0121 hours on 6/5/2025. Lloyd Ray (Ray) is listed as an offender/suspect for several crimes, see below for a clip from the report:

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Offender				
RAY, LLOYD J Male, DOB 7/20/61 10180 BUSENBURG RD HOWARD, OH 43028	2903.11A2 - Felonious Assault _ weapon or ordnance 2903.01A - Aggravated Murder _ premeditated 2923.02A - Attempt - USE FOR ORC ARREST OFFENSE CODE ONLY			
(740) 358-3865 Home (714) 817-0339 Home (740) 427-4977 Home				
Suspect				
RAY, LLOYD J Male, DOB 7/20/61	2903.11A2 - Felonious Assault _ weapon or ordnance			
10180 BUSENBURG RD HOWARD, OH 43028	2923.02A - Attempt - USE FOR ORC ARREST OFFENSE CODE ONLY 2903.01A - Aggravated Murder _ premeditated			
(740) 358-3865 Home (714) 817-0339 Home (740) 427-4977 Home				

Several victims are listed in the report and linked to various offenses. Each victim was also listed as a witness. A breakdown of the individuals and the offenses they are associated with is included in the chart below:

Name	Offense(s)			
Lauretta Lynn Beltz-Frazee	2903.01A - Aggravated Murder			
	2923.02A – Attempt			
	2903.11A2 - Felonious Assault			
Deputy Tom Queen	2923.02A – Attempt			
	2903.11A2 - Felonious Assault			
Jerrad Dalton Ray	2903.11A2 - Felonious Assault			
Olive M. Ray	2903.11A2 - Felonious Assault			
Deputy Joshua Snodgrass	2923.02A - Attempt			
	2903.11A2 - Felonious Assault			

Lauretta Beltz-Frazee (Beltz) and Ray were also listed in the section titled "Other." A snippet of these sections was included below:

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Other

BELTZ-FRAZEE, LAURETTA LYNN

Female, DOB 4/1/57 10180 BUSENBURG RD HOWARD, OH 43028 Deceased Person: 2903.01A - Aggravated Murder _ premeditated

RAY, LLOYD J

Male, DOB 7/20/61 10180 BUSENBURG RD HOWARD, OH 43028 (740) 358-3865 Home

(714) 817-0339 Home (740) 427-4977 Home Deceased Person: 2903.01A - Aggravated Murder premeditated

Each vehicle that was present on scene was also documented in the information section of the report.

The initial narrative was authored by Lt. Feeney and is included below:

Initial Narrative By Craig Feeney, 06/05/25 13:59

On 6/5/2025, the Knox County Sheriff's Office responded to a 911 call for service.

Lt. Feeney also wrote the first supplemental narrative to this report. The supplement documents the action that Lt. Feeney took as the commander of the KCSO SWAT team. Lt. Feeney wrote that he requested assistance from the Mount Vernon Police Department's Emergency Services Unit. The SWAT team attempted to contact anyone inside of the trailer. However, they were unable to raise any occupants. An access point for a drone was created and it was deployed into the residence. The drone located the female victim who, "appeared to be deceased" and a male. It was not known if the male was alive or deceased as he was lying on the floor with a rifle. After making more This document is the property of the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation and is confidential in nature. Neither the document nor its contents are to be disseminated outside your agency except as provided by law - a statute, an administrative rule, or any rule of procedure.



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announcements, the window near the male was removed mechanically to allow for a better view. After the team entered and determined that the male and female were deceased, BCI was contacted to investigate the incident.

The supplement authored by Officer Hoffman detailed his response to the incident. Officer Hoffman aided in maintaining a perimeter around the residence until he was relieved by a SWAT officer.

The supplement authored by Sgt. Minot details the acquisition of a search warrant and the completion of the warrant return.

Also included with this report file was a six-page KCSO property summary, which included a list of photos and one pill bottle, a crime scene log, BCI evidence receipts, and a copy of the search warrant obtained by Sgt. Minot.

Busenburg Rd property info (300 pages):

The information in this report was presented in a different layout but consisted of the same information, which was already reviewed above. The report also contained Knox County Computer Assisted Dispatch (CAD) records, victims' forms, background information from KCSO records on each involved party, and LEADS files for various persons/vehicles. The KCSO Dispatch records were reviewed in a separate report, as were the KCSO background packets that contained information related to Ray.

The property summary was reviewed. It listed 150 digital photographs and six bottles of prescription medication that were stored awaiting destruction. Thumbnails and full-size images for each of the 150 digital photos taken by KCSO were included in the report. SA Lamping reviewed each photo. The photos taken by KCSO are similar to those taken by the BCI Crime Scene Unit. No new information was located in the KCSO photos.

The reports for KCSO incident #	we	re uploaded to	o Axon .	Justice.	Please
refer to Reference Item K - Knox	County Incider	t Reports for t	further	informa	tion.

References:

Reference Item K - Knox County Incident Reports - Stored in Axon Justice

Attachments:

None

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