

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



2025-2243

Officer Involved Critical Incident – 3013 Mohawk Street, Middletown, Ohio 45044 (L)

Investigative Activity: Neighborhood Canvass

Involves: Officer Jamie Patterson (W), Barry Wilson Medley (W), Katheryn J.

Frisby (W), Brett T Rose (O), Ashley Nicole Garitson (W), Kapri Dawn Louise Campbell (O), Harris Taylor Pattison (O), Melissa L Ashcraft

(W), Douglas W. Ashcraft (W)

Date of Activity: 07/13/2025

Activity Location: - 3013 Mohawk Street., Middletown, OH 45044

Author: SA Steven Seitzman

Narrative:

On July 13, 2025, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation Special Agent Steven Seitzman conducted a neighborhood canvass in the area of 3013 Mohawk Street, Middletown, Butler County, Ohio. The purpose of the canvass was to identify and interview potential witnesses to the officer-involved critical incident that had occurred on the same day and to locate any potential video evidence.

The following summary of the recorded canvass highlights the key points the author deemed most relevant, although it does not provide a verbatim account. Additionally, this report was placed in a chronology to aid in the overall understanding of the information elicited during the interview and may not reflect the actual interview sequence. For further details, please refer to the interview recordings.

During the neighborhood canvass, agents made or attempted contact with the residents at the following addresses:

3015 Mohawk Street

SA Seitzman spoke with Barry Medley. Mr. Medley stated that he has lived at his residence for approximately two years. He stated that the Kerrs moved in after him, approximately two years ago. He stated that the Kerrs rent the home from Jeffery and Penny Gayhart.

Mr. Medley stated that shortly before the incident, one of the Kerrs dogs had gotten out, which he returned to Consuelo Kerr. He described Consuelo's demeanor as normal, though admittedly, he was not paying too much attention. He heard a couple of sounds that he initially thought were Ronald or Consuelo Kerr taking out the trash. He stated that

approximately twenty minutes later, he saw the police officers arrive. He stated that the officers drew their guns. He heard police officers announce something to the effect of, "Ron, put the gun down." He stated that officers probably gave Ronald Kerr multiple commands, but he was not paying attention. After a short period of time, he heard six or seven gunshots coming from the rear of the residence.

Mr. Medley stated that he had not seen prior police activity at the Kerr residence. He also never observed any arguing between the Kerrs. He stated that Ronald Kerr seemed like a "nice guy."

Mr. Medley advised that he did not have any surveillance footage.

3017 Mohawk Street

SA Seitzman spoke with Katheryn Frisby. Ms. Frisby stated that she did not know the Kerr family. She said that she was driving home while the incident was occurring. She stated that she parked in the church parking lot across the street from the incident and watched. She recalled someone she described as the "daughter" of the Kerrs upset in the church parking lot. She stated that the daughter was crying and talking on the phone to him (Ronald Kerr). Ms. Frisby heard the daughter say something to the effect of, "If you don't come out, I'll tell them what you did to me since five years old." She stated that other family members later joined the daughter. Mr. Frisby stated that at some point, the involved subject hung up on his daughter.

Ms. Frisby said that she heard police make announcements on a loudspeaker that "he [Ronald Kerr] needs to come out of the house." She overheard the daughter inform the police officers that the rear door was unlocked. She said that several officers went around back, and approximately a minute later, she heard four gunshots. She stated that she believed the police officers did an "excellent job" and were "real professional."

Ms. Frisby advised that she did not have any surveillance cameras and did not otherwise record any of the incident.

3009 Mohawk Street

SA Seitzman spoke with Ashley Garitson and Brett Rose. Ms. Garitson stated that she heard a police officer on a loudspeaker saying something to the effect of, "Ronnie. Come out with your hands up." At that point, she looked out her window and saw officers with rifles. She then heard approximately six gunshots in rapid succession.

Ms. Garitson stated that she did not know her neighbors well. She said she has lived at her residence for approximately five years, and the Kerrs moved in sometime after that. She stated that her boyfriend, Mr. Rose, used to cut their grass, and Ronald Kerr would come over and talk on occasion. She said she was unaware of any prior police responses to the residence. She had previously heard Ronald Kerr complain about his wife (Consuelo Kerr) during prior conversations. She stated that they fought "all the time."

Mr. Rose opined that the issues between the Kerrs likely involved pills. He stated that Ronald Kerr told him that his wife was "verbally abusive" and often took his medications. He stated

that he spoke with Ronald Kerr two to three times a week. Mr. Rose said that he never knew Ronald Kerr to be suicidal. He said that Ronald Kerr took medications for PTSD and depression. He said that Ronald Kerr told him he was a veteran and had served in Afghanistan. He further stated that Ronald Kerr spoke to him about "kicking his wife" out of the house.

Mr. Rose repeated his belief that the incident involved drugs.

3008 Mohawk Street

SA Seitzman spoke with Taylor Pattison and Kapri Campbell. Both stated that they were not home during the incident. They stated that they have lived at their residence for less than a year. They said that they did not know their neighbors at 3013 Mohawk Street, other than the male resident was confined to a wheelchair. They stated that they were unaware of any prior police activity at the residence.

3006 Mohawk Street

No answer. No apparent surveillance cameras were observed.

3016 Mohawk Street

SA Seitzman spoke with Daniel Hood. He advised that he was inside his residence during the incident. He stated that he heard what sounded like five or six "firecrackers." He stated that he looked outside several minutes later and saw several police officers.

Mr. Hood advised that he has lived at his residence for approximately six years. He stated that he spoke with the female resident of 3013 Mohawk Street (Consuelo Kerr) a couple of times. He said that he knew her to work at the Dollar General. He stated that he was unaware of any issues at the residence and was unaware of any prior police activity there; however, he stated that he did not know the neighbors well.

3011 Mohawk Street

SA Seitzman spoke with Justin Newcomb. Mr. Newcomb became aware of an incident at 3013 Mohawk Street after Timothy McNeely ran over to his residence and said his father had just shot his mother. See investigative report titled 2025–07–13: Interview of Justin Newcomb for additional details.

3020 Mohawk Street

SA Seitzman spoke with Douglas and Melissa Ashcraft. Mr. Ashcraft stated that he was in the front yard doing yard work when he heard yelling coming from 3013 Mohawk Street. He advised that "there is always something going on over there." He stated that multiple police officers arrived. He heard police announce over a loudspeaker, "Ronnie, put the gun down," at least 15 times. Mr. Ashcraft said he heard the gunshots. He stated that the police fired "with just cause." Mr. Ashcraft stated that he did not see Ronald Kerr at any point during the incident. He said that he did not know the Kerrs well but knew Ronald Kerr was a double amputee.

Mr. Ashcraft stated that the "drunk daughter" was near his house and that he heard her say that he (Ronald Kerr) shot her (Consuelo Kerr) four times.

Mrs. Ashcraft advised that she had doorbell footage that captured the sound of gunfire. She sent the footage to SA Seitzman via an Axon Community link. The footage was saved in the Evidence.com case within the folder labeled "Reference Item I – Doorbell Footage from 3022 Mohawk Street (Melissa Ashcraft)."

References:

Reference Item I - Doorbell Footage from 3022 Mohawk Street (Melissa Ashcraft) (Evidence.com)
Reference Item K - Neighborhood Canvass (Evidence.com)

Attachments:

No attachments.