



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



2024-3257

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 200 Cline Avenue,  
Mansfield, Ohio 44907

**Investigative Activity:** Case Closing  
**Involves:** Richland County Prosecutor's Office (O)  
**Activity Date:** 04/21/2025  
**Activity Location:** BCI - 4055 Highlander Parkway, Richfield, OH 44286  
**Authoring Agent:** SA Andrew J. Harasimchuk #170

**Narrative:**

On Monday, April 21, 2025, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Andrew Harasimchuk received an email from Alisha Bazley, Office Administrator for the Richland County Prosecutor's Office. This email contained the following attachment: OIS BCI 2024-3257.

SA Harasimchuk reviewed this attachment and noted the following:

Prosecutor Jodie Schumacher (Prosecutor Schumacher) completed the review of the investigative case file. Based on this review Prosecutor Schumacher determined that Sergeant Shane Gess, Sergeant Joseph Gladden, Sergeant Michael Haines and Officer Paul Webb's actions, regarding the officer-involved critical incident that occurred in Mansfield, Ohio, on October 19, 2024, were justified. Prosecutor Schumacher also stated that the investigation into this matter was closed.

On April 29, 2025, all evidence in this case has been returned to the requesting agency. The evidence was picked up by Mansfield Police Department Lieutenant Robert Skropits. An evidence receipt was completed and added as an attachment to this report.

Special Agent Harasimchuk and Special Agent Supervisor Charles Moran reviewed this investigation and discussed the documentation. During this discussion, it was determined that the investigation was sufficiently pursued and all investigative efforts and aspects of this case have been completed. Special agent assistance is no longer required by the requesting agency.

The documents received from the Richland County Prosecutor's Office are attached to this report. Please refer to those documents for further information.

This case is closed.

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**References:**

None

**Attachments:**

1. OIS BCI 2024-3257
2. 2025-04-29 Evidence to Mansfield Police Department - Robert Skropits

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JODIE M. SCHUMACHER  
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

April 21, 2025

Mr. Robert W. Sauter  
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225 East Broad Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: Representation of Mansfield PD Sgts Gess, Gladden and Haines and Ofc Webb;  
BCI 2024-3257

Dear Attorney Sauter,

The Ohio Attorney General's Bureau of Criminal Investigations (BCI) completed their investigation of the Critical Incident that occurred on October 19, 2024 at 200 Cline Avenue, Mansfield, Ohio 44907. Having completed their investigation and report Special Agents of BCI provided myself with a complete copy of the same. I have reviewed the entirety of the report and investigation, as well as the relevant case law applicable to these matters. Based on all of the above, I find that each of the officer's involved, Sgt. Gess, Sgt. Gladden, Sgt. Haines and Ofc. Webb, actions were justified. For this reason, I am closing the investigation into this matter.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or any other concerns, please contact me at 419-774-5676.

Sincerely,

Jodie M. Schumacher  
Richland County Prosecutor

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jodie Schumacher". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "S".

CC: SA Harasimchuk  
MPD Chief Bamman



# EVIDENCE RECEIPT



## Ohio Attorney General's Office Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Case Number  
2024-3257

Case Title  
Officer Involved Critical Incident - 200 Cline Avenue,  
Mansfield, Ohio, 44907

Transfer Date  
4/29/2025 2:04 PM

### RELEASED FROM

Releasing Agency  
Ohio Attorney General's Office Bureau of Criminal  
Investigation

Case Number  
2024-3257

Released By  
Betsy Turney

### RECEIVED BY

Receiving Agency  
Mansfield Police Department

Case Number  
Not Entered

Received By  
Robert Skropits

### RELEASE REASON

Returned to Agency

### EVIDENCE

001 - Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 001) Hornady 556 NATO - P00020-1040803, 001 *(Weapon) in Envelope C00020-1023394*  
002 - Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 002) Hornady 556 NATO - P00020-1040805, 002 *(Weapon) in Envelope C00020-1023393*  
003 - Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 003) Hornady 556 NATO - P00020-1040806, 003 *(Weapon) in Envelope C00020-1023392*  
004 - Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 004) Hornady 556 NATO - P00020-1040807, 004 *(Weapon) in Envelope C00020-1023391*  
005 - Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 005) Hornady 556 NATO - P00020-1040809, 005 *(Weapon) in Envelope C00020-1023390*  
006 - Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 006) Hornady 556 NATO - P00020-1040812, 006 *(Weapon) in Envelope C00020-1023389*  
007 - Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 007) Hornady 556 NATO - P00020-1040813, 007 *(Weapon) in Envelope C00020-1023388*  
008 - Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 008) Hornady 556 NATO - P00020-1040814, 008 *(Weapon) in Envelope C00020-1023387*  
009 - Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 009) Hornady 556 NATO - P00020-1040815, 009 *(Weapon) in Envelope C00020-1023386*  
010 - Pocket knife (010) with black handle - P00020-1040816, 010 *(Weapon) in Cardboard Box C00020-1023385*  
011 - Empty Sig Sauer pistol magazine (Crime Scene Item 011) - P00020-1040817, 011 *(Weapon) in Envelope C00020-1023384*  
012 - Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 012) Hornady 556 NATO - P00020-1040818, 012 *(Weapon) in Envelope C00020-1023383*  
013 - projectile (Crime scene Item 013) - P00020-1040819, 013 *(Weapon) in Envelope C00020-1023382*  
014 - projectile (Crime Scene Item 014) - P00020-1040820, 014 *(Weapon) in Envelope C00020-1023381*  
015 - Fixed blade knife with brown handle (Crime Scene Item 015) - P00020-1040821, 015 *(Weapon) in Cardboard Box C00020-1023380*  
016 - projectile fragment (Crime Scene Item 016) - P00020-1040822, 016 *(Weapon) in Envelope C00020-1023379*

017 - Kitchen knife with black handle (Crime Scene Item 017) - P00020-1040823, 017 *(Weapon) in Cardboard Box C00020-1023378*

018 - Mobile Phone (Crime Scene Item 018) Apple iPhone - P00020-1040824, 018 *(Device) in Envelope C00020-1023377*

019 - Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 019) 40 mm - P00020-1040825, 019 *(Weapon) in Envelope C00020-1023376*

020 - SD card (Crime Scene Item 020) from security camera - P00020-1040826, 020 *(Device) in Envelope C00020-1023375*

021 - Unknown substance (Crime Scene Item 021) - P00020-1040827, 021 *(Drug) in Clear Evidence Bag C00020-1023374*

022 - Swabs of suspected blood (Crime Scene Item A) - P00020-1040828, 022 *(Biological Evidence) in Envelope C00020-1023373*

023 - Sgt. Michael Haines' Firearm - Rifle - Sig Sauer MCX Serial #63G020043 - P00020-1040830, 023 *(Weapon) in Cardboard Box C00020-1023398*

024 - Officer Paul Webb's Firearm - Rifle - Sig Sauer MCX Serial #63G020196 - P00020-1040831, 024 *(Weapon) in Cardboard Box C00020-1023397*

025 - Sgt. Joseph Gladden's Firearm - Rifle - Sig Sauer MCX Serial #63G020100 - P00020-1040832, 025 *(Weapon) in Cardboard Box C00020-1023396*

026 - DNA Blood stain card from Michael Oswald - P00020-1040852, 026 *(Biological Evidence) in Envelope C00020-1023422*

027 - Oral and rectal swabs from Michael Oswald - P00020-1040853, 027 *(Biological Evidence) in Envelope C00020-1023421*

028 - Scrapings and hair from Michael Oswald - P00020-1040854, 028 *(Biological Evidence) in Envelope C00020-1023420*

029 - Fingerprint card from Michael Oswald - P00020-1040855, 029 *(Biological Evidence) in Envelope C00020-1023419*

030 - Clothing from Michael Oswald - P00020-1040859, 030 *(Personal Property) in Brown Paper Bag C00020-1023415*

031 - Ring and Marble - P00020-1040856, 031 *(Personal Property) in Clear Evidence Bag C00020-1023418*

032 - Fragments and Bullets - P00020-1040857, 032 *(Weapon) in Clear Evidence Bag C00020-1023417*

033 - Fragments and Bullets - P00020-1040858, 033 *(Weapon) in Clear Evidence Bag C00020-1023416*

## PACKAGING

*Brown Paper Bag C00020-1023415 - Sealed*

- 030 Clothing from Michael Oswald

*Cardboard Box C00020-1023378 - Sealed*

- 017 Kitchen knife with black handle (Crime Scene Item 017)

*Cardboard Box C00020-1023385 - Sealed*

- 010 Pocket knife (010) with black handle

*Cardboard Box C00020-1023385 - Sealed*

- 010 Pocket knife (010) with black handle

*Cardboard Box C00020-1023380 - Sealed*

- 015 Fixed blade knife with brown handle (Crime Scene Item 015)

*Cardboard Box C00020-1023380 - Sealed*

- 015 Fixed blade knife with brown handle (Crime Scene Item 015)

*Clear Evidence Bag C00020-1023416 - Sealed*

- 033 Fragments and Bullets

*Clear Evidence Bag C00020-1023416 - Sealed*

- 033 Fragments and Bullets

*Clear Evidence Bag C00020-1023417 - Sealed*

- 032 Fragments and Bullets

*Clear Evidence Bag C00020-1023417 - Sealed*

- 032 Fragments and Bullets

*Clear Evidence Bag C00020-1023418 - Sealed*

- 031 Ring and Marble

*Brown Paper Bag C00020-1023415 - Sealed*

- 030 Clothing from Michael Oswald

*Clear Evidence Bag C00020-1023418 - Sealed*

- 031 Ring and Marble

*Clear Evidence Bag C00020-1023374 - Sealed*

- 021 Unknown substance (Crime Scene Item 021)

*Clear Evidence Bag C00020-1023374 - Sealed*

- 021 Unknown substance (Crime Scene Item 021)

*Envelope C00020-1023375 - Sealed*

- 020 SD card (Crime Scene Item 020) from security camera

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- 020 SD card (Crime Scene Item 020) from security camera

*Envelope C00020-1023376 - Sealed*

- 019 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 019) 40 mm

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- 019 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 019) 40 mm

*Envelope C00020-1023377 - Sealed*

- 018 Mobile Phone (Crime Scene Item 018) Apple iPhone

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- 018 Mobile Phone (Crime Scene Item 018) Apple iPhone

*Envelope C00020-1023379 - Sealed*

- 016 projectile fragment (Crime Scene Item 016)

*Cardboard Box C00020-1023396 - Sealed*

- 025 Sgt. Joseph Gladden's Firearm - Rifle - Sig Sauer MCX Serial #63G020100



*Envelope C00020-1023379 - Sealed*

- 016 projectile fragment (Crime Scene Item 016)

*Envelope C00020-1023373 - Sealed*

- 022 Swabs of suspected blood (Crime Scene Item A)

*Envelope C00020-1023373 - Sealed*

- 022 Swabs of suspected blood (Crime Scene Item A)

*Envelope C00020-1023419 - Sealed*

- 029 Fingerprint card from Michael Oswald

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- 029 Fingerprint card from Michael Oswald

*Envelope C00020-1023420 - Sealed*

- 028 Scrapings and hair from Michael Oswald

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*Envelope C00020-1023422 - Sealed*

- 026 DNA Blood stain card from Michael Oswald

*Cardboard Box C00020-1023396 - Sealed*

- 025 Sgt. Joseph Gladden's Firearm - Rifle - Sig Sauer MCX Serial #63G020100

*Envelope C00020-1023422 - Sealed*

- 026 DNA Blood stain card from Michael Oswald

*Envelope C00020-1023381 - Sealed*

- 014 projectile (Crime Scene Item 014)

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- 014 projectile (Crime Scene Item 014)

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- 013 projectile (Crime scene Item 013)

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- 012 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 012) Hornady 556 NATO

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- 012 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 012) Hornady 556 NATO

*Envelope C00020-1023384 - Sealed*

- 011 Empty Sig Sauer pistol magazine (Crime Scene Item 011)

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*Envelope C00020-1023386 - Sealed*

- 009 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 009) Hornady 556 NATO

*Cardboard Box C00020-1023397 - Sealed*

- 024 Officer Paul Webb's Firearm - Rifle - Sig Sauer MCX Serial #63G020196

*Envelope C00020-1023386 - Sealed*

- 009 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 009) Hornady 556 NATO

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- 008 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 008) Hornady 556 NATO

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- 008 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 008) Hornady 556 NATO

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- 007 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 007) Hornady 556 NATO

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- 007 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 007) Hornady 556 NATO

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- 006 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 006) Hornady 556 NATO

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- 005 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 005) Hornady 556 NATO

*Envelope C00020-1023390 - Sealed*

- 005 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 005) Hornady 556 NATO

*Envelope C00020-1023391 - Sealed*

- 004 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene 004) Hornady 556 NATO

*Cardboard Box C00020-1023397 - Sealed*

- 024 Officer Paul Webb's Firearm - Rifle - Sig Sauer MCX Serial # **63G020196**

*Envelope C00020-1023391 - Sealed*

- 004 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene 004) Hornady 556 NATO

*Envelope C00020-1023392 - Sealed*

- 003 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 003) Hornady 556 NATO

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- 002 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 002) Hornady 556 NATO

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- 002 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 002) Hornady 556 NATO

*Envelope C00020-1023394 - Sealed*

- 001 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 001) Hornady 556 NATO

*Envelope C00020-1023394 - Sealed*

- 001 Fired cartridge casing (Crime Scene Item 001) Hornady 556 NATO

*Cardboard Box C00020-1023398 - Sealed*

- 023 Sgt. Michael Haines' Firearm - Rifle - Sig Sauer MCX Serial # **63G020043**

*Cardboard Box C00020-1023398 - Sealed*

- 023 Sgt. Michael Haines' Firearm - Rifle - Sig Sauer MCX Serial # **63G020043**

*Cardboard Box C00020-1023378 - Sealed*

- 017 Kitchen knife with black handle (Crime Scene Item 017)

## SIGNATURES

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4/29/2025

Released From Betsy Turney

Date

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Received By Robert Skropits

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