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

2026-2566
Officer Involved Critical Incident - State Route 67 and Township Road 8, Republic, OH 44867, Seneca County (L)

Investigative Activity:	Review of Laboratory Report
Involves:	Jeffrey Sergent
Activity Date:	08/17/2026
Activity Location:	BCI – Bowling Green
Authoring Agent:	**SA David Hammond #120**

Narrative:

On Thursday, August 13, 2026, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) David Hammond (SA Hammond) received Ohio BCI Laboratory report(s) for thirteen (13) items of evidence submitted on July 8, 2026, for scientific analysis (laboratory case number 26-22219). The report originated from the Firearms section of the laboratory and was authored by Forensic Scientist Kevin Belcik. The items relevant to this report which had previously been submitted were as follows:

Lab Item #1, Crime Scene Unit # Autopsy 8, fired bullet from the right arm of Jeffrey Sergent, recovered at autopsy.

> *One (1) fired bullet, one (1) apparent copper fragment with apparent embedded glass, and three (3) apparent lead fragments.*

Lab item # 2, Crime Scene Unit # 1, fired 9mm Luger cartridge casing.

Lab Item #3, Crime Scene Unit # 2, fired 9mm Luger cartridge casing

Lab Item #4, Crime Scene Unit #3, fired 9mm Luger cartridge casing

Lab Item #5, Crime Scene Unit #4, fired 9mm Luger cartridge casing

Lab Item #6, Crime Scene Unit #5, fired 9mm Luger cartridge casing

Lab Item #7, Crime Scene Unit #6, fired 9mm Luger cartridge casing

Lab Item #8, Crime Scene Unit #12, SN: [redacted], Glock model 45, 9mm Luger, with attached optic and light, one magazine and twelve (12) unfired cartridges.

Lab Item #9, Crime Scene Unit #13, SN [redacted], Glock model 17, 9mm Luger, with light, one magazine and fifteen (15) unfired cartridges.

Lab Item #10, Crime Scene Unit #18, fired 9mm Luger cartridge casing

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Lab Item #11, Crime Scene Unit #19, fired 9mm Luger cartridge casing

Lab Item #12, Crime Scene Unit #20, fired bullet from scene

Lab Item #13, Crime Scene Unit # Autopsy 9, fired bullet from Jeffrey Sergent, recovered at autopsy.

> *One (1) fired bullet, six (6) apparent lead fragments, two (2) apparent polymer fragments, two (2) apparent lead fragments with embedded polymer, and one (1) fired bullet jacket fragment.*

SA Hammond reviewed the laboratory report and noted the following:

Item Description	Comparison	Conclusion
Item 8 Glock model 45 Pistol	N/A	Operable
	Items 1 and 12 Two (2) fired bullets	Source Identification
	Items 2, 3, 4, 10, and 11 Five (5) 9mm Luger fired cartridge cases	Source Identification

The Glock model 45 Pistol *(Item 8)*, collected from [redacted] was found to be a source identification for two fired bullets. The first bullet was laboratory item #1; the bullet removed from Jeffrey Sergent's right arm at autopsy. The second bullet was laboratory item #12; a fired bullet located at the scene (CS Unit #20). This weapon was also a source identification for five fired cartridge casings located at the scene (Crime Scene Unit # 1, 2, 3, 18, 19).

Item Description	Comparison	Conclusion
Item 9 Glock model 17 Gen 5 Pistol	N/A	Operable
	Item 13 One (1) fired bullet	Source Identification
	Items 5, 6, and 7 Three (3) 9mm Luger fired cartridge cases	Source Identification

The Glock model 17 Pistol (*Item 9*), collected from [redacted], was found to be a source identification for one fired bullet. The bullet, laboratory item #13, was recovered from the head of Jeffrey Sergent at autopsy. This weapon was also a source

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identification for three fired cartridge casings located at the scene (Crime Scene Unit # 4, 5, 6).

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

References:

None

Attachments:

1. BCI Lab Firearms Report 26-22219-1

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Bureau of Criminal Investigation **Laboratory Report**
Firearms

To:	Ohio Attorney General's Office David M. Hammond 30 E. Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215	BCI Laboratory Number: Analysis Date: August 04, 2026 Agency Case Number:	26-22219 Issue Date: August 10, 2026 2026-2566
Offense:	Officer Involved Critical Incident		
Subject(s):	N/A		
Victim(s):	N/A		

Submitted on 07/08/2026 by David M. Hammond

1. Envelope containing bullet from Jeffrey Sergent right arm at autopsy
   - *One (1) fired bullet, one (1) apparent copper fragment with apparent embedded glass, and three (3) apparent lead fragments*
2. Envelope containing cartridge casing
   - *One (1) 9mm Luger fired cartridge case*
3. Envelope containing cartridge casing
   - *One (1) 9mm Luger fired cartridge case*
4. Envelope containing cartridge casing
   - *One (1) 9mm Luger fired cartridge case*
5. Envelope containing cartridge casing
   - *One (1) 9mm Luger fired cartridge case*
6. Envelope containing cartridge casing
   - *One (1) 9mm Luger fired cartridge case*
7. Envelope containing cartridge casing
   - *One (1) 9mm Luger fired cartridge case*
8. One cardboard box containing firearm; SN: [redacted]
   - *One (1) Glock model 45, 9mm Luger semi-automatic pistol, serial number* [redacted] *with attached optic and weapon mounted light, one (1) magazine, and twelve (12) 9mm Luger unfired cartridges*
9. One cardboard box containing firearm; SN: [redacted]

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- *One (1) Glock model 17 Gen 5, 9mm Luger semi-automatic pistol, serial number [redacted] with attached weapon mounted light, one (1) magazine, and fifteen (15) 9mm Luger unfired cartridges*

10. Envelope containing cartridge casing
    - *One (1) 9mm Luger fired cartridge case*
11. Envelope containing cartridge casing
    - *One (1) 9mm Luger fired cartridge case*
12. Envelope containing bullet from scene
    - *One (1) fired bullet*
13. Envelope containing bullet from Jeffrey Sergent at autopsy
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Findings

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Remarks

The various projectile components from Items 1 and 13 were treated as a single unit for examination / comparison purposes.

Three (3) of the twelve (12) 9mm Luger unfired cartridges from Item 8, and three (3) of the fifteen (15) 9mm Luger unfired cartridges from Item 9, were used for test firing.

All evidence will be returned to the submitting agency.

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Analytical Detail

Analytical findings offered above were determined using visual, physical, 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. Results relate only to the items tested.

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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

We invite you to direct your questions to:

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Statement of Qualifications

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Education

- Bachelors of Science in Applied Physics. May 2013. University of Toledo. Toledo, OH.

Professional Experience

- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation Laboratory. Forensic Scientist. September 2013 – Present.

Required Technical Training

- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Firearms Training. September 2013 - December 2014.
- ATF NIBIN Heritage Acquisition and Correlation. Atlanta, GA. February 2014.
- ATF Serial Number Restoration Course. Ammendale, MD. August 2014.
- ATF IBIS Triage and Data Acquisition. Bowling Green, OH. March 2023

Memberships

- Association of Firearm and Toolmark Examiners (AFTE). Provisional member since April 2018. Regular member since December 2022.

A complete CV can be made available upon request

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