

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



2022-1726 Officer Involved Critical Incident - 15266 Gilchrist Rd., Mt. Vernon (L)

Investigative Activity: Search Warrant

Involves: Bradley Lee Wilhelm (S), Randy Allen Wilhelm (S)

Date of Activity: 09/20/2022

Author: SA John P. Tingley, #154

Narrative:

Search Warrant Obtained

On Saturday, August 20, 2022, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) John Tingley (Tingley) met with Knox County Prosecutor Chip McConville (McConville) at the Knox County Prosecutor's Office, which is located at 117 East High Street, #234, Mt. Vernon, Knox County, Ohio 43050.

Prosecutor McConville had drafted a search warrant and affidavit for the property belonging to Randy and Bradley Wilhelm, relative to the officer-involved critical incident which had occurred earlier on August 20, 2022. SA Tingley reviewed the search warrant and affidavit to assure that all of the facts listed were clearly documented and factual. SA Tingley found the search warrant and affidavit complete.

Accordingly, Prosecutor McConville forwarded the search warrant and affidavit to Mount Vernon Municipal Court Judge John Thatcher (Thatcher). Judge Thatcher reviewed the search warrant and search warrant affidavit. On August 20, 2022, Judge Thatcher signed/authorized the search warrant.

Search Warrant Executed

On Saturday, August 20, 2022, at approximately 1030 hours, BCI SA Tingley executed/served the aforementioned search warrant. BCI Crime Scene SA's then collected evidence and took photographs of the multiple scenes, as specified in the search warrant.

All of the items of potential evidence collected and seized were documented on a BCI inventory sheet. For specifics on the evidence seized, see the attached inventory sheets attached to this Investigative Report.

Search Warrant Returned

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.

On Thursday, October 13, 2022, SA Tingley met with the Mount Vernon Municipal Court Clerk of Court's Office where the search warrant return was signed by SA Tingley and filed with the Clerk of Court's Office.

A copy of the search warrant, search warrant affidavit, search warrant inventory sheets and search warrant return are attached to this Investigative Report.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2022-1726 PROPERTY SEARCH WARRANT DOCUMENTS

Attachment # 02: Evidence Receipt for Scene 1 - Items 20 and 21

Attachment # 03: Evidence Receipt for Scene 1 – Item 22 Attachment # 04: Evidence Receipt for Scene 1 – Item 23 Attachment # 05: Evidence Receipt for Scene 1 – Items 1–19

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.

IN THE MOUNT VERNON MUNICIPAL COURT KNOX COUNTY, OHIO

STATE OF OHIO:

Court Order Return

KNOX COUNTY

Case Number:

To: Judge John Thatcher of the Mount Vernon Municipal Court, Knox County, Ohio

IN THE MATTER OF THE SEARCH OF:

1) 15502 Gilchrist Road, 15266 Gilchrist Road, and 15159 Monroe Mills Road, properties titled to Wilhelm Family Properties, including Knox County Parcels 49-01136.000, 49-01032.000, 49-00318.000, 49-00319.001, 49-00767.000 and 49-00093.000, parcels located between Gilchrist and Monroe Mills Roads in Monroe Township

On August 20, 2022, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) John Tingley received this search warrant and on August 20, 2022, BCI SA Tingley executed the search warrant by searching the aforementioned properties and collecting evidence which was then transported to and secured at the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation, 4055 Highlander Parkway, Richfield, Ohio, 44286, as listed on the attached inventory sheets.

Special Agent John Tingley #154 Ohio Attorney General's Office Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of October 2022.

Mount Vernon Municipal Court

Knox County, Ohio

MOUNT VERNON MUNICIPAL COURT, MOUNT VERNON, OHIO

STATE OF OHIO, KNOX COUNTY, SS:

SEARCH WARRANT

To: The Superintendent of Ohio BCI:

WHEREAS, there has been filed with me an Affidavit, a copy of which appears following, showing that grounds exist for the issuance of this warrant, to wit, probable cause to search, and,

WHEREAS, the undersigned is a duly elected, qualified and acting Judge of a Court of record in and for Knox County, Ohio;

THESE ARE, THEREFORE, to command you in the name of the State of Ohio, with all necessary and proper assistance, to enter onto the premises described as follows:

15502 Gilchrist Road, 15266 Gilchrist Road, and 15159 Monroe Mills Road, properties titled to Wilhelm Family Properties, including Knox County Parcels 49-01136.000, 49-01032.000, 49-00318.000, 49-00319.001, 49-00767.000 and 49-00093.000, parcels located between Gilchrist and Monroe Mills Roads in Monroe Township

You are further commanded to execute a search of said premises within 72 hours after the issuance of this Warrant to Search, the said premises being located within the jurisdiction of this Court, in Knox County, Ohio, and there diligently search for persons, goods, chattels and articles, which are subject to search and seizure, to wit:

The bodies of Randy and Brad Wilhelm, fingerprints, blood evidence, clothing, firearms or their components, ammunition, shell casings, DNA evidence, cell phones and documents;

Which items may be evidence of violations of Ohio Revised Code Section 2903.02.

You shall make prompt return of this Search Warrant, accompanied by an inventory of any property taken, to the undersigned Judge.

In lieu of returning recovered property/evidence authorized by this Search Warrant to the issuing Judge, the property/evidence will be retained in the Ohio BCI property/evidence room.

AFFIDAVIT FOR SEARCH WARRANT

STATE OF OHIO)		
)	SS:	
KNOX COUNTY)		

Before me, the undersigned Notary Public for the State of Ohio, personally appeared Special Agent John Tingley, who being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says he has probably cause to believe that there is evidence of potential crimes located within the jurisdiction of this court, at:

15502 Gilchrist Road, 15266 Gilchrist Road, and 15159 Monroe Mills Road, properties titled to Wilhelm Family Properties, including Knox County Parcels 49-01136.000, 49-01032.000, 49-00318.000, 49-00319.001, 49-00767.000 and 49-00093.000, parcels located between Gilchrist and Monroe Mills Roads in Monroe Township

The facts upon which such belief is based are as follows:

- 1. Affiant, Special Agent John Tingley, Badge #154, is a member of the Ohio Attorney General's Office, Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (BCI&I). During Affiant's career with the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation, he has participated in specialized training concerning the investigation of officer-involved critical incidents. Affiant is certified through the Ohio Peace Officers Training Commission. Affiant has conducted and participated in numerous criminal investigations which have resulted in the issuance of court orders, search warrants, indictments and convictions. Affiant is a Special Agent in the Major Crimes Division, Special Investigations Unit of the Ohio Attorney General's Office, BCI&I, acting under a request for assistance from the Knox County Sheriff's Office.
- 2. On August 20, 2022, at approximately 4:30 a.m., this Court issued a search warrant to Special Agent Eric Lehnhart for the above described premises.
- 3. The search warrant was for the purpose of searching for Randy Wilhelm, who lived on the premises, as well as for firearms that were used to shoot at a bail bondsman who was attempting to apprehend Wilhelm, and at an Ohio State Highway Patrol helicopter that flew over Wilhelm's property.
- 4. After the warrant was issued, tactical teams from police agencies across Central Ohio surrounded the property, while OSP continued aerial surveillance of the premises. The helicopter pilots reported two armed subjects moving around in various areas of the property. They also reported that the subjects were moving bottled gas trucks close to one of the residences.

- 5. Knox County Sheriff's Deputies and Special Agent Lehnhart were aware that Randy Wilhelm had threatened to use the trucks as potential bombs if law enforcement came to his property to apprehend him.
- 6. Law enforcement officers from various agencies entered the property in armored vehicles to apprehend Wilhelm. Two of the armored vehicles were fired upon by one or more of the subjects, who boarded a side-by-side vehicle to move across the property. Officers returned fire, causing fatal injuries to one or both subjects.
- 7. The subjects were identified at the scene as Randy Wilhelm and his brother, Brad Wilhelm, who both lived on the premises.
- 8. Affiant has probable cause to believe that evidence exists on the above-described premises relevant to a homicide investigation and a potential violation of Revised Code Section 2903.02.

Further Affiant sayeth naught.

AFFIANT

Sworn and subscribed in my presence this 20th day of August, 2022.

WOTARY PUBLIC

RIALS

CHARLES T. McCONVILLE
Attorney At Law
NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF OHIO
My commission has no expiration date
Sec. 147.03 R.C.

Agency: Ohio BCI

Prepared By: Special Agent Holcomb (#61)

Case Date: Aug 20, 2022

Offense(s): Officer Involved Critical Incident

Victim(s):
Witness(es):
Suspect(s):

Scene #: 1



Evidence #	Item Description	Location	Collected By	Date/Time
20	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing Quantity: 1; Fired cartridge case with head stamp, "LC 18" located in the driveway.	15266 Gilchrist	C. Holcomb	Aug 21, 2022
21	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing Quantity: 1; Fired cartridge case with head stamp, "FC 223" located near the back door of the residence.	15266 Gilchrist	Sarah Taylor	Aug 21, 2022

Released By		Released To		Date/Time
Special Agent Holcomb (#61)	SA CHolconh*61	Special Agent Tingley	5× 134	Aug 21, 2022 14:57

Agency: Ohio BCI

Prepared By: SA Butterworth
Case Date: Aug 20, 2022

Offense(s): Officer Involved Critical Incident

Victim(s):
Witness(es):
Suspect(s):

Scene #: 1



Evidence #	Item Description	Location	Collected By	Date/Time
22	Paper Bag containing Fired Cartridge Casing Quantity: 1; One fired cartridge casing received from SA John Butterworth (collected from Room I).	15159 Monroe Mills Road	Sarah Taylor	Aug 22, 2022

Special Agent Taylor	
SA Loral Taybe 130	Aug 23, 2022 9:20

Agency: Ohio BCI

Prepared By: Special Agent Taylor

Case Date: Aug 20, 2022

Offense(s): Officer Involved Critical Incident

Victim(s):
Witness(es):
Suspect(s):

Scene #: 1



Evider	ice#	Item Description	Location	Collected By	Date/Time
23		Paper Bag containing Fired Cartridge Casing Quantity: 1; One .223 cartridge casing with located outside on the ground next to house.	15266 Gilchrist	Sarah Taylor	Aug 23, 2022

Released By	Released To	Date/Time
Special Agent Taylor	Special Agent Tingley	Aug 23, 2022 12:31
SA Loral Taybe 1360	SA le ty	
	7 1	

Agency: Ohio BCI

Prepared By: Special Agent Holcomb (#61)

Case Date: Aug 20, 2022

Offense(s): Officer Involved Critical Incident

Victim(s):
Witness(es):
Suspect(s):

Scene #: 1



Evidence #	Item Description	Location	Collected By	Date/Time
1	Gun/Firearm Cardboard Box containing Rifle Quantity: 1; Serial Number: Colt Law Enforcement Carbine; 5.56x45 NATO; Rifle with 13 cartridges and a magazine in the grass near deceased	15266 Gilchrist	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
2	Envelope containing Ammo Magazine Quantity: 1; Magazine with Westerville PD badge and on side, containing 20 cartridges on the SW side of the outbuilding	15266 Gilchrist	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
3	Envelope containing Ammo Magazine Quantity: 1; Daniel Defense magazine with 3 cartridges on the SW side of the outbuilding	15266 Gilchrist	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
4	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing Quantity: 22; 22 FC .223 casings on SW corner of outbuilding	15266 Gilchrist	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
5	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing Quantity: 11; 11 FC .223 casings on NW corner of outbuilding	15266 Gilchrist	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
6	Paper Bag containing Bookbag with Ammunition Camp book bag with multiple boxes of ammunition in grass near deceased	15266 Gilchrist	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
7	Paper Bag containing Charger Quantity: 1; Green portable USB charger	15266 Gilchrist	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
8	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing Quantity: 22; 22 .223 casings near the rear of SWAT vehicle	15266 Gilchrist	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
9	Envelope containing Ammo Magazine Quantity: 1; Empty rifle magazine on pavement near the driver side of SWAT vehicle	15266 Gilchrist	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
10	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing Quantity: 3; 3 .223 casings on top of SWAT vehicle	15266 Gilchrist	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
11	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing Quantity: 22; 22 rifle casings on driveway near 4 Runner	15266 Gilchrist	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
12	Gun/Firearm Cardboard Box containing Shotgun Quantity: 1; Serial Number: RS50916B; Remington 870; 12 gauge; shotgun with 4 shot shells in the ATV	15266 Gilchrist	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
13	Gun/Firearm Cardboard Box containing Rifle Quantity: 1; Serial Number: RR02477E;	15159 Monroe Mills Road	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022

Released By		Released To		Date/Time
Special Agent Holcomb (#61)	SA C. Holconlo#61	Special Agent Tingley	Ih Tayh	Aug 20, 2022 19:51

Agency: Ohio BCI

Prepared By: Special Agent Holcomb (#61)

Case Date: Aug 20, 2022

Offense(s): Officer Involved Critical Incident

Victim(s):
Witness(es):
Suspect(s):

Scene #: 1



	Remington Model 700 Rifle; .300; Rifle located isn't he back seat of the Blazer with 3 cartridges			
14	Envelope containing Magazines and Ammo Multiple magazines and ammo of various calibers in the pockets of Randy	15266 Gilchrist	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
14a	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing Quantity: 2; 2 rifle casings located outside the man garage back door	15159 Monroe Mills Road	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
15	Envelope containing Fired Projectile Quantity: 1; Projectile sitting on Brads shirt	15266 Gilchrist	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
15a	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing Quantity: 1; Rifle casing located on first left bedroom on bed	15159 Monroe Mills Road	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
16	Envelope containing Cell Phone Quantity: 1; Flip Cellphone located in Randy's pocket	15266 Gilchrist	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
16a	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing Quantity: 4; 4 rifle casings located on upstairs first on the left bedroom on floor	15159 Monroe Mills Road	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
17	Envelope containing Cell Phone Quantity: 1; Cell phone located in dresser in upstairs first on the left bedroom	15159 Monroe Mills Road	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
18	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing Quantity: 9; 9 rifle casings locate dint he interior garage by the man door	15159 Monroe Mills Road	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022
19	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing Quantity: 1; Rifle casings located between the screen and main back garage door	15159 Monroe Mills Road	C. Holcomb	Aug 20, 2022

Released By		Released To		Date/Time
Special Agent Holcomb (#61)	SA CHolconh*61	Special Agent Tingley	Typ	Aug 20, 2022 19:51
		-		