



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



2025-1603
Officer Involved Critical Incident - 4482 Hampton Woods
Ct., Columbus, Ohio 43230 (L)

Investigative Activity: Neighborhood Canvass
Involves: Christene Schonauer, Oussama Djellab, Peggy McCauley,
Robert Snyder, Michael Bush, Mitchell Gaver
Activity Date: 05/20/2025
Activity Location: Hampton Woods Court, Columbus, OH 43230
Authoring Agent: SA Chad Holcomb, #61

Narrative:

On Tuesday, May 20, 2025, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents Chad Holcomb, SA Matt Collins, SA Brady Curry, SA Ryan Scheiderer and SA Eric Runyan conducted a neighborhood canvass around 4482 Hampton Woods Court, Columbus, Ohio. The purpose for the canvass was to identify and interview potential witnesses to the officer-involved critical incident that occurred at 4482 Hampton Woods Court, Columbus, Ohio on Monday, May 19, 2025. During the neighborhood canvass, Special Agents made or attempted contact with the residents at the following addresses:

SA Chad Holcomb (0640 hours)

4481 Hampton Woods Drive: SA Holcomb spoke with Christine Schonauer [REDACTED]. Schonauer stated that she was asleep and her daughter woke her up around 2130 hours. Her daughter said that someone was banging on their window. They looked outside and saw police outside. Around 2130 hours, she believes she heard two gunshots. Schonauer then believes she heard three gunshots around 2345 hours.

Schonauer has known Marybeth Bright (Bright) for around two years. Bright had told her a few months ago that she was going to get on some dating apps soon. She has seen her new boyfriend (Jerry Smith), only a couple of times.

Schonauer stated that she has photos and recordings of the incident. SA Holcomb sent her an evidence.com link where she uploaded the photos and recordings. They have been labeled as reference item #B.

4483 Hampton Wood Drive: SA Holcomb spoke with Oussama Djellab [REDACTED]. He stated that he was playing a video game and heard gunshots. He thinks he heard two gunshots around 2100-2130 hours. He heard another gunshot later in the night and Smith yelling "back up" and slamming the door.

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4485 Hampton Woods Drive: SA Holcomb spoke with Peggy McCauley [REDACTED] McCauley said she heard a bang around 2130 hours. She also heard a lot of yelling.

SA Ryan Scheiderer & SA Eric Runyan (0647 hours)

3797 Hampton Woods Drive: Agents spoke with Robert Snyder [REDACTED] and he didn't hear or see anything.

3799 Hampton Woods Drive: No answer

3801 Hampton Woods Drive: No answer

3803 Hampton Woods Drive: No answer

3805 Hampton Woods Drive: No answer

4501 Hampton Woods Court: Agents spoke with Michael Bush [REDACTED] and he heard police making announcements to "Gary" over a loudspeaker. Bush heard 3-4 gunshots but didn't see anything.

4503 Hampton Woods Court: Agents spoke with Mitchell Gaver [REDACTED] and he did not see anything but heard two "males" yelling near incident location around 2145 hours. Gaver thought he heard at least one gunshot at approximately 2150 hours.

4505 Hampton Woods Court: No answer

4507 Hampton Woods Court: No answer

4509 Hampton Woods Court: No answer

SA Brady Curry (0635 hours)

4486 Hampton Woods Court: No answer

4484 Hampton Woods Court: Miranda Morris (Morris) [REDACTED] (DOB:5/18/1987) walked in her house and heard a loud ruckus coming from Mary and Smiths apartment, which is right next door. Morris stated she heard Smith say, "you messed with the wrong one". Morris also heard Smith say, "you're going to die tonight". Morris stated it sounded like Smith was throwing her on the wall and at one point told her to "get the fuck up". Morris stated she called for law enforcement. Morris stated she told officers that Morris believed that Smith would kill Mary. Morris said she heard Mary say at one point that she was fine, but Morris knew she wasn't. Morris stated Smith said "back the fuck up" multiple times. Morris heard shots being fired

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while officers were there. Morris took cover inside her residence and waited for the incident to come to an end. Morris did not have any surveillance cameras.

4480 Hampton Woods Court: No answer

4478 Hampton Woods Court: No answer

4487 Hampton Woods Court: No answer

The interviews conducted were recorded. A copy of the recordings are attached to this investigative report.

References:

Reference #B: Christine Schonauer Photos & Videos (Evidence.com)

Attachments:

Attachment #01: 3797-4509 Hampton Woods Neighborhood Canvass Audio 5.20.2025

Attachment #02: 2025-05-20 - Neighborhood Canvass (2025-1603)

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