



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



2026-0121

Officer Involved Critical Incident - Robert J. Riddlebarger,
Unknown (S)

Investigative Activity: Case Opening
Involves: Euclid Police Department (O); Robert Riddlebarger (S)
Activity Date: 01/11/2026
Activity Location: 1451 E. 219th St. Euclid, OH 44117
Authoring Agent: SA Allison Fletcher

Narrative:

On Sunday, January 11, 2026, at approximately 2219 hours, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was requested by Lieutenant Eddington of the Euclid Police Department (EPD) to conduct an independent investigation of the facts and circumstances surrounding an officer-involved critical incident which occurred in the area of 1451 East 219th Street Euclid, Ohio 44117. BCI Special Agents from the Major Case Response Team responded to assist and included Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Matthew Armstrong, Special Agent (SA) Tom Verhiley, SA Erica Moore, and SA Stacey Fifer responded to assist. Additionally, the BCI Crime Scene Unit was requested to process the scene by documenting and collecting pertinent evidence.

The shooting incident involved a subject, Robert J. Riddlebarger (Riddlebarger), and members of the Euclid Police Department. The incident resulted in the death of Riddlebarger.

A copy of the request for assistance letter is attached to this investigative report.

References:

None

Attachments:

1. 2026-01-14 Request for Assistance Letter

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January 14, 2026

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Dear Ms. Fletcher:

I, Chief Scott Meyer of the Euclid Police Department am requesting the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation's assistance in investigating an Officer Involved Shooting which occurred on 1/11/26 involving a Euclid Police Officer. This incident occurred in the City of Euclid. The Euclid Police Department incident number is [REDACTED]

Sincerely,

Scott Meyer
Chief of Police

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