



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



2024-3954

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 3487 Belmont Avenue,  
Youngstown, Ohio, 44505

**Investigative Activity:** Case Opening  
**Involves:** Jason A. Cain (S)  
**Activity Date:** 12/16/2024  
**Activity Location:** BCI - Richfield  
**Authoring Agent:** SA Joseph Goudy

**Narrative:**

On Monday, December 16, 2024, at approximately 1530 hours, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was requested by Captain Ray Buhala of the Liberty Township Police Department (LTPD) to conduct an independent investigation of the facts and circumstances surrounding an officer-involved critical incident which occurred in the area of 3487 Belmont Avenue, Liberty Township, Ohio 44505. BCI Special Agent Joseph Goudy (Goudy) responded to assist, arriving at approximately 1645 hours. Also responding from the BCI Special Investigations Unit were Special Agents Matt Armstrong (Armstrong), Allison Fletcher (Fletcher), Nick Valente (Valente), and Jack Shea (Shea). Additionally, the BCI Crime Scene Unit (CSU) was requested to process the scene by documenting and collecting pertinent evidence. CSU SA Larry Hootman (Hootman) and Chad Dorn (Dorn) responded and processed the scene.

The shooting incident involved a subject, Jason A. Cain, and members of the Liberty Township Police Department. The incident resulted in injuries sustained by Jason Cain.

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

**References:**

None

**Attachments:**

1. Request for Assistance Letter

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Chief Tobias Meloro  
Captain Ray Buhala

BCI&I

Request for Assistance

12/16/2024

On 16 December 2024 our agency was involved in an officer involved shooting. The purpose of this correspondence is to request assistance from your office with this investigation. Please let me know if I could provide anything further to aid you in this request.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. Buhala".

Captain Ray Buhala #902