

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



2025-2243

Officer Involved Critical Incident – 3013 Mohawk Street, Middletown, Ohio 45044 (L)

Investigative Activity: Document Review

Involves: Ronald Hazen Kerr (S),

Consuelo Denise Kerr (V)

Date of Activity: 09/16/2025

Activity Location: Bureau of Criminal Investigation Main Office – Business – 1560

State Route 56 SW, London, OH 43140

Author: SA Steven Seitzman

Narrative:

On Tuesday, September 16, 2025, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation Special Agent Steven Seitzman received a laboratory report from the Firearms Section of the BCI Laboratory. The evidence referenced in the report had been submitted to the laboratory on July 15, 2025, by BCI Crime Scene Technician Amy Cruey. The report was authored by Lauren Alexander, a BCI forensic scientist, and documented the analytical findings pertaining to the submitted firearms evidence following visual, physical, and microscopic examinations/comparisons.

The following items were submitted to the lab for examination:

Crime Scene Evidence #	Lab Evidence #	Description	Location found
Scene 1, Item 1	1	SCCY DVG-1 9mm pistol with empty seated magazine	Back of chair in living room
Scene 1, Item 2	2	One fired RP 9mm Luger cartridge case	On chair in living room
Scene 1, Item 3	3	One fired RP 9mm Luger cartridge case	On chair in living room
Scene 1,	4	One fired RP 9mm Luger cartridge case	On chair in

Item 4			living room
Scene 1, Item 5	5	One fired RP 9mm Luger cartridge case	On chair in living room
Scene 1, Item 6	6	One fired RP 9mm Luger cartridge case	Floor behind front door in living room
Scene 1, Item 8	7	One fired RP 9mm Luger cartridge case	Floor in front of chair in loving room
Scene 1, Item 9	8	One fired RP 9mm Luger cartridge case	Floor in front of chair in living room
Scene 1, Item 10	9	One fired RP 9mm Luger cartridge case	Floor in front of couch in living room
Scene 1, Item 12	10	Diamondback Firearms model DB9, 9mm Luger, semi- automatic pistol with one magazine and six unfired cartridges	TV stand in living room
Scene 1, Item 13	11	One fired RP 9mm Luger cartridge case	Floor behind chair in living room
Scene 1, Item 13.1	12	One fired RP 9mm Luger cartridge case	Floor behind chair in living room
Scene 1, Item 17	13	Silver and blue Walther CCP 9mm pistol with one cartridge in chamber and 7 cartridges in seated magazine	Floor under wheel chair in kitchen
Scene 1, Item 18	14	One fired RP 9mm Luger cartridge case	Floor in kitchen

Scene 1, Item 19	15	One fired jacketed bullet	Floor in hallway
Scene 1, Item 20	16	One fired jacketed bullet	Kitchen counter
Scene 1, Item 21	17	One fired Speer .223 REM cartridge case	Kitchen floor by rear door
Scene 1, Item 22	18	One fired Speer .223 REM cartridge case	Kitchen floor by rear door
Scene 1, Item 23	19	One fired Speer .223 REM cartridge case	Kitchen floor by rear door
Scene 1, Item 24	20	One fired Speer .223 REM cartridge case	Kitchen floor by rear door
Scene 1, Item 25	21	One fired Speer .223 REM cartridge case	Ramp by rear door
Scene 1, Item 26	22	One fired Speer .223 REM cartridge case	Floor on back porch
Scene 1, Item 27	23	One fired Speer .223 REM cartridge case	Floor on back porch
Scene 1, Item 28	24	One fired Speer .223 REM cartridge case	Floor on back porch
Scene 1, Item 29	25	One fired Speer .223 REM cartridge case	Ground by back porch
Scene 1, Item 30	26	One fired Speer .223 REM cartridge case	Ground by back porch
Scene 1, Item 31	27	One fired Speer .223 REM cartridge case	Ground by back porch
Scene 1, Item 32	28	One fired Speer .223 REM cartridge case	Ground by back porch
Scene 1, Item 33	29	One fired Speer .223 REM cartridge case	Ground by back porch

Scene 1, Item 34	30	One fired Speer .223 REM cartridge case	Ground by back porch
Scene 1, Item 35	31	One fired Speer .223 REM cartridge case	Floor by rear door on porch
Scene 1, Item 36	32	One fired jacketed bullet	Inside back of couch in living room
Scene 2, Item 1	33	HM Defense model HM15F, 5.56 NATO, semi-automatic rifle with one Surefire Scout flashlight, one EOTECH optic, one magazine, and seventeen unfired cartridges	Middletown Police Department
Scene 2, Item 2	34	Daniel Defense model DDM4, 5.56 NATO, semi- automatic rifle with one EOTECH optic, one magazine, and twenty-three unfired cartridges	Middletown Police Department
Scene 3, Item 12	35	Two fired projectiles removed from the back and pulmonary vein of Ronald Kerr during autopsy	Butler County Coroner's Office

Upon reviewing the report, SA Seitzman noted the following:

Ronald Kerr's SCCY (lab item 1) was determined to be operable. It was identified as the source of lab item 32, a fired jacketed bullet. It was also identified as the source of lab items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 11, which were 9 fired 9mm Luger cartridge cases.

Ronald Kerr's Walther CCP pistol (lab item 13) was determined to be operable. It was identified as the source of lab item 16, a fired jacketed bullet. It was also identified as the source of lab items 12 and 14, which were two fired 9mm Luger cartridge cases.

Ronald Kerr's Diamondback Firearms DB9 was determined to be operable. It was not identified as the source of any of the recovered projectiles or fired cartridge cases.

Middletown Police HM Defense HM15F rifle (lab item 33) was determined to be operable. It was identified as the source of lab items 15 and 35, which were three fired jacketed bullets. It was also identified as the source of lab items 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, and 31, which were nine fired .223 Speer REM cartridge cases.

Middletown Police Daniel Defense rifle (lab item 34) was determined to be operable. It was not identified as the source of any of the recovered jacketed bullets. It was

identified as the source of lab items 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, and 30, which were six fired .223 Speer REM cartridge cases.

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

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No references.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 25-120854 Firearm Lab Report



Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Laboratory Report

Firearms

To: BCI / Madison

S/A Kenny Smith

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London, OH 43140

BCI Laboratory Number: 25-120854

Analysis Date: Issue Date:

August 26, 2025 September 11, 2025

Agency Case Number: 2025-2243

BCI Agent: David Hammond

Offense: Officer Involved Critical

Incident

Subject(s): N/A Victim(s): N/A

Submitted on 07/15/2025 by Amy Cruey

1. White box containing firearm (serial# D025292 with empty magazine located on back of chair (BCI 1, scene 1)

- One (1) SCCY model DVG-1, 9mm Luger, semi-automatic pistol, serial number D025292 with one (1) magazine.
- 2. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 2, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.
- 3. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 3, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.
- 4. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 4, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.
- 5. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 5, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.
- 6. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 6, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.
- 7. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 8, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.
- 8. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 9, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.

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- 9. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 10, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.
- 10. White box containing firearm (serial # YK5391) with stain, with magazine and cartridges from TV stand (BCI 12, scene 1)
 - One (1) Diamondback Firearms model DB9, 9mm Luger, semi-automatic pistol, serial number YK5391 with one (1) magazine and six (6) unfired cartridges.
- 11. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 13, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.
- 12. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 13.1, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.
- 13. White box containing firearm (serial # WK151599) with magazine with cartridges located under wheelchair (BCI 17, scene 1)
 - One (1) Walther model CCP, 9mm Luger, semi-automatic pistol, serial number WK151599 with one (1) magazine, and five (5) unfired cartridges.
- 14. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 18, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.
- 15. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 19, scene 1)- found to contain one (1) projectile
 - One (1) fired jacketed bullet.
- 16. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (bCI 20, scene 1)- found to contain one (1) projectile
 - One (1) fired jacketed bullet.
- 17. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 21, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 223 REM cartridge case.
- 18. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 22, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 223 REM cartridge case.
- 19. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 23, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 223 REM cartridge case.
- 20. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 24, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 223 REM cartridge case.
- 21. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 25, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 223 REM cartridge case.
- 22. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 26, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 223 REM cartridge case.
- 23. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 27, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 223 REM cartridge case.
- 24. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 28, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 223 REM cartridge case.
- 25. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 29, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 223 REM cartridge case.
- 26. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 30, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 223 REM cartridge case.
- 27. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 31, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 223 REM cartridge case.
- 28. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 32, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 223 REM cartridge case.

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- 29. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 33, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 223 REM cartridge case.
- 30. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 34, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 223 REM cartridge case.
- 31. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge casing (BCI 35, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired 223 REM cartridge case.
- 32. One manila envelope containing Fired projectile from inside back of couch, (BCI 36, scene 1)
 - One (1) fired jacketed bullet.
- One cardboard box containing firearm (serial optic, magazine and cartridges (BCI 1, scene 2)
 - One (1) HM Defense model HM15F, 5.56 NATO, semi-automatic rifle, serial number: with one (1) Surefire Scout Light flashlight, one (1) EOTECH optic, one (1) magazine, and seventeen (17) unfired cartridges.
- One cardboard box containing firearm (serial# with optic and magazine with cartridges (BCI 2, scene 2)
 - One (1) Daniel Defense model DDM4, 5.56 NATO, semi-automatic rifle, serial number: with one (1) EOTECH optic, one (1) magazine, and twenty-three (23) unfired cartridges.
- 35. One manila envelope containing projectile removed from Ronald Kerr from back and pulmonary vein (BCI 12, scene 3)
 - Two (2) fired jacketed bullets.

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Findings

Item Description	Comparison	Conclusion	
	N/A	Operable	
Itam 1. SCCV mistal	Item 32: one (1) fired jacketed bullet		
Item 1: SCCY pistol	Items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, & 11: nine (9) fired	Source Identification	
	9mm Luger cartridge cases		

Item Description	Comparison	Conclusion
•	N/A	Operable
Itam 12. Walthan mistal	Item 16: one (1) fired jacketed bullet	
Item 13: Walther pistol	Items 12 & 14: two (2) 9mm Luger fired	Source Identification
	cartridge cases	

Item Description	Description Comparison	
	N/A	Operable
Item 33: HM Defense	Items 15 & 35: three (3) fired jacketed bullets	
rifle	Items 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, & 31:	Source Identification
	nine (9) fired 223 REM fired cartridge cases	

Item Description	Comparison	Conclusion
Item 34: Daniel	N/A	Operable
Defense rifle	Items 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, & 30: six (6) fired 223 REM cartridge cases	Source Identification

Item Description	Comparison	Conclusion
Item 10: Diamondback	NI/A	Omanahla
Firearms pistol	N/A	Operable

Remarks

The remaining submitted items from Item 10, Item 13, Item 33, & Item 34 were not examined/compared at this time.

Six (6) of the seventeen (17) submitted cartridges from Item 33 were used for test firing.

Six (6) of the twenty-three (23) submitted cartridges from Item 34 were used for test firing.

All evidence will be returned to the submitting agency.

Analytical Detail

Analytical findings offered above were determined using visual, physical, and microscopic examinations / comparisons.

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Issue Date: September 11, 2025

Agency Case: 2025-2243

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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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Lauren E. Alexander Statement of Qualifications

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Education

- Master of Arts. Criminology-Global Security. May 2022. Kent State University. Kent, Ohio.
- Bachelor of Arts. Psychology. December 2020. Kent State University. Kent, Ohio.
- Bachelor of Arts. Criminology. December 2020. Kent State University. Kent, Ohio
- Bachelor of Arts. Sociology. December 2020. Kent State University. Kent, Ohio.

Professional Experience

- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Forensic Scientist / Firearms Examiner. 2024-Present.
- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Lab Technician 2. 2023-2024.
- NIBIN National Correlation and Training Center. NIBIN Technician. 2021-2023.

Required Technical Training

- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Firearms Examiner Training. 2024.
- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Firearms Operability Training. 2024.
- · Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Lab Technician Training. 2023.
- Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosive. IBIS Triage and Data Acquisition. 2021.
- Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosive. NIBIN Correlation. 2021.

Certifications

- Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. NIBIN Technician.
 Certified 2021.
- Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. IBIS Triage and Data Acquisition. Certified 2021.

A complete CV can be made available upon request

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