



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



2024-2614

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 1309 Yellowstone Road,
Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44121

Investigative Activity: Laboratory Results-DNA
Involves: Christian Thomas (S)
Activity Date: 12/09/2024
Activity Location: BCI-Richfield
Authoring Agent: SA Cory M. Momchilov #64

On September 11, 2024, the recovered firearm was sent to the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation laboratory for DNA analysis. On November 5, 2024, Special Agent (SA) Cory Momchilov received the laboratory report.



Crime Scene #1

The report indicated the presence of DNA on the interior trigger guard (avoiding stain), grip (avoiding stain), back slide (avoid stain), stain on trigger guard, stain on grip.

On November 7, 2024, Christian Thomas' DNA standard was submitted to the Ohio BCI laboratory for comparison.

On December 9, 2024, SA Momchilov received the DNA comparison laboratory report. The report indicated the DNA recovered from the firearm belonged to Christian Thomas.

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Item	Conclusions
1.1 Swab of interior trigger guard avoiding stain	DNA profile consistent with Christian Alexander Thomas - The estimated frequency of occurrence of the DNA profile is rarer than 1 in 1 trillion [^] unrelated individuals.
1.2 Swab of grip avoiding stain	Mixture (1 major contributor) Major – consistent with: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Christian Alexander Thomas – The estimated frequency of occurrence of the major DNA profile is rarer than 1 in 1 trillion[^] unrelated individuals. The remainder of this mixture contains DNA that is not of sufficient quality for comparison to a standard from any individual.
1.3 Swab of back slide area avoiding stain	DNA profile consistent with Christian Alexander Thomas - The estimated frequency of occurrence of the DNA profile is rarer than 1 in 1 trillion [^] unrelated individuals.
1.4 Swab of textured buttons/levers	No DNA analysis
1.5 Swab of front sight area avoiding stain	No DNA analysis

[^] Based on the national database provided by the National Institute of Standards and Technology

Item	Conclusions
1.6 Swab of stain on trigger guard	Presumptive positive for blood DNA profile consistent with Christian Alexander Thomas - The estimated frequency of occurrence of the DNA profile is rarer than 1 in 1 trillion [^] unrelated individuals.
1.7 Swab of stain on grip	Presumptive positive for blood DNA profile consistent with Christian Alexander Thomas - The estimated frequency of occurrence of the DNA profile is rarer than 1 in 1 trillion [^] unrelated individuals.
1.8 Swab of stain on back slide	Presumptive positive for blood No DNA analysis
1.9 Swab of stain on front sight	Presumptive positive for blood No DNA analysis
32 DNA standard - Christian Alexander Thomas	Profile used for comparison purposes

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

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References:

None

Attachments:

1. DNA Laboratory Report (September 11, 2024)
2. DNA Laboratory Report (November 7, 2024)

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Laboratory Report DNA

To: BCI / Richfield
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BCI Laboratory Number: 24-36634

Analysis Date: September 12, 2024

Issue Date: October 08, 2024

Agency Case Number: 2024-2614

BCI Agent: Dan Boerner

Offense: Shooting Involving an Officer

Subject(s):

Victim(s):

Submitted on September 11, 2024 by Betsy Farris

1. One cardboard box containing firearm (Serial #KNP943) recovered from the scene (Matrix #1)

Item	Conclusions
1.1 Swab of interior trigger guard avoiding stain	Unknown male – sufficient for comparison
1.2 Swab of grip avoiding stain	Mixture (1 major contributor) Major: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Same unknown male - sufficient for comparison. The remainder of this mixture contains DNA that is not of sufficient quality for comparison to a standard from any individual.
1.3 Swab of back slide area avoiding stain	Same unknown male – sufficient for comparison
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1.6 Swab of stain on trigger guard	Presumptive positive for blood Same unknown male – sufficient for comparison
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Remarks

Item 1.1, Item 1.2, Item 1.3, Item 1.6 and Item 1.7 were consumed during analysis. Additional sample from the other items is available should independent analysis be requested. All remaining items will be returned to the submitting agency. The remaining DNA extracts will be retained by the laboratory.

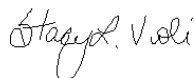
The forensic DNA profiles developed were not suitable for CODIS entry.

DNA comparisons can be made upon submission of a reference standard consisting of two oral swabs from Christian Alexander Thomas.

Analytical Detail

Presumptive analysis for blood was performed using chemical testing.

DNA profiling was performed using PCR with the GlobalFiler® STR kit on samples from Item 1.



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1. One cardboard box containing firearm (Serial #KNP943) recovered from the scene (Matrix #1)

Submitted on November 07, 2024 by Betsy Farris

32. One manila envelope containing DNA standard from Christian Alexander Thomas (Matrix 44)

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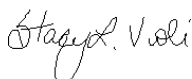
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The eligible DNA profile (Item 32) has been entered into the CODIS database in accordance with state and national regulations, where regular searches will be performed. If investigative information becomes available or a profile is removed from CODIS, your agency will be notified.

Analytical Detail

Presumptive analysis for blood was performed using chemical testing.

DNA profiling was performed using PCR with the GlobalFiler® STR kit on a sample from Item 32. The additional samples listed above were previously analyzed. See report issued October 08, 2024.



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