



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



2026-2448

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 613 Orange Street,
Conneaut, Ohio 44030 Ashtabula County

Investigative Activity: Interview with Family Members and Neighbors
Involves: Cain Dello-Butts (W), Lenette Butts (W), Elijah Gregory (W),
and Angela Gregory (W)
Activity Date: 06/25/2026
Activity Location: 615 Orange St., Conneaut, Ohio 44030
Authoring Agent: SA Daniel P. Boerner #135

Narrative:

On Thursday, June 25, 2026, at 2018hrs, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Dan Boerner (SA Boerner) spoke with Cain Dello-Butts, Lenette Butts, Elijah Gregory, and Angela Gregory (relatives/neighbors of Brandon Butts) relative to the officer-involved critical incident which took place on Thursday, June 25, 2026. The interview took place at 613 Orange St., Conneaut, Ohio 44030. The purpose of the interview was to obtain all relevant information about the incident known or observed by these individuals.

Conversation with Cain Dello-Butts (brother) and Lenette Butts (mother)¹

The family asserted that the deceased did not possess a firearm in the basement and stated that only knives or an air rifle were present upstairs. They believed law enforcement removed an air rifle from the first floor. SA Boerner obtained a description of the air rifle from Cain, went into the residence, located the air rifle, and photographed it in place. SA Boerner subsequently showed the photograph to Cain and explained that the air rifle was in the same place that Cain explained it would be (*Figure 1, Location of air rifle*).

¹ The summary of the conversation was created with the assistance of Microsoft Copilot. It was reviewed by the authoring agent for accuracy. Refer to the recording for a full record of the conversation.

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Figure 1, Location of air rifle

Family members described the sequence leading to the shooting, including officers arriving to serve a warrant, breaking windows, deploying chemical irritants, issuing commands, and firing multiple rounds. They reported observing officers repeatedly entering and exiting the basement prior to EMT access and raised concerns about potential movement of items of evidence and the integrity of the crime scene. They stated neighbors had photos or videos of officers entering the scene before EMTs.

Cain stated the following (17:23 mark):

It was like, you could tell it was like trumped up. You know, they're waiting on him. Like you tell him drop the gun. I'm like, he doesn't have a gun. I told you guys he doesn't have a gun. I know for sure, you know? And they're like, how do you know for sure? I'm like, guy's, my brother man, I know he has a gun now. You know? Sure. And uh, I mean, I would've give it to him and he, they're like, I know he has like a thunder stick that he carries around pretends it's a bomb and like tells everybody about fucking kill myself. He goes that, you know, you see him with that mask on outside one o'clock morning like, you know, right. Fucking nuts man. And you know, he's been fighting demons

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forever, man. And this was like a perfect, perfect storm for you feel me.

And what happened was when they were yelling at him and shit, he kept going, fuck you, get the fuck away. I'm not going to jail. Well, I'm not going to jail. So, when they do blow all the windows up right there now girlfriend, now he's a girl there. He loves his girl death. You know, she gets tired now. He's by himself, man. And now he's completely cornered and mind you, schizophrenia kicks in. Everybody's guilty. I'm guilty, she's guilty. He hates everybody right now. So, I, Brandon, knock, get the fuck off. I'm fuck you fat ass but screaming me. He's not coming back. This quit doing what you're doing. He got eight people on top of steps pointing at my brother. I got a video of that man pointing at him, man at the top steps. He's, he's like 20 feet down steps. You guys are academy fucking SWAT. Qualify with your rifle, man. 'cause how you gonna put that many rounds and at the, at the drop off it was like this pop and then it was "brrrrrrrrrrrrrm" okay. You know what I mean? It was just insane.

SA Boerner requested that any photos or videos be submitted through a "Community Request" sent through Axon Justice. SA Boerner collected contact information from the family members, and clarified investigative procedures including search warrant execution, evidence processing, and the transfer of the completed investigation to the county prosecutor.

Lenette requested information about retrieving belongings, accessing the residence, damage to the home, and repair responsibility. SA Boerner went into the residence and retrieved Lenett's cell phone along with a pair of shoes. Additionally, SA Boerner explained the residence would remain in law enforcement custody until crime scene processing was complete. SA Boerner stated that cleanup would likely require private services. SA Boerner provided guidance on documentation for potential reimbursement and stated that window repairs would need to be addressed through the appropriate city or county channels.

SA Boerner provided Cain and Lenette with a business card and asked them to contact him with any questions or concerns. SA Boerner explained that once the residence was released, a copy of the search warrant, and an inventory of seized items would be left inside.

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Conversation with Angela Gregory and Elijah Gregory (neighbors)² (27:14 mark)

SA Boerner spoke with Angela Gregory (Angela) who reported that she was not present during the incident but did have still images to provide to investigators. Angela was provided a "Community Request" through Axon Justice and submitted three still images for investigators to review. The still images depicted events that reportedly took place after the shooting and did not contain any new information relevant to the investigation.

SA Boerner spoke with Elijah Gregory (Elijah) who reported that he did not see the incident but heard suspected gunshots from his bedroom window. Prior to the suspected gunshots he heard yelling/arguing outside which he described as normal. Elijah reported that he went outside, saw what he described as a SWAT team, and had a panic attack. Elijah reported that he went back inside and called Angela.

The interview concluded at approximately 2107hrs.

The interview was audio recorded. The recording(s) was uploaded to Axon Justice as Reference Item D – 2026-06025 Family – Witness Interviews.

The still images received from Angela Gregory were uploaded to Axon Justice as Reference Item E – Neighborhood-Witness Photographs > Angela Gregory.

References:

- Reference Item D – 2026-06025 Family – Witness Interviews
- Reference Item E - Neighborhood-Witness Photographs > Angela Gregory

Attachments:

None

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