



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



2024-3294

Investigation - Officer Involved Critical Incident - Portage
Bike Trail Near North Freedom St., Ravenna, Ohio:

Investigative Activity: Autopsy Viewing
Involves: Matthew Fries (S)
Activity Date: 10/23/2024
Activity Location: 11001 Cedar Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44106 (Cuyahoga
County Medical Examiner's Office)
Authoring Agent: SA Dan Boerner #135

Narrative:

On Tuesday, October 22, 2024, the Ravenna Police Department (RPD) requested Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) assistance at the scene of an officer-involved critical incident at the Portage Bike Trail and North Front St., Ravenna, Ohio. As part of that investigation, Special Agent (SA) Dan Boerner (SA Boerner) was requested to attend the post-mortem examination of the decedent (Matthew Fries, OU2024-00416). The examination was conducted on October 23, 2024 at the Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner's Office in Cleveland, Ohio. The post-mortem examination was conducted by Dr. Kait Weaver (kweaver@cuyahogacounty.us).

The following observations were made during the course of the autopsy:

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SA Boerner requested to receive a copy of the full autopsy and toxicology reports once available.

As a result of the autopsy, the following items of evidence were collected and transferred to the custody of SA Boerner:

1. One convenience box containing twenty-four (24) items of evidence collected during the autopsy of Matthew Fries

The aforementioned items were subsequently transported to the BCI office in Richfield, Ohio, where they were submitted to the temporary evidence room. The evidence transfer sheet documenting the exchange is attached to this investigative report.



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References:

- N/A

Attachments:

- Cuyahoga County Regional Forensic Science Laboratory Evidence Transfer Transaction Form (OU2024-00416)

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