



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



2022-2608
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 28 North Paint St., Chillicothe
(L)

Investigative Activity: Evidence Collection
Involves: Nicholas Casey Mitchell (S)
Date of Activity: 11/17/2022
Author: SAS Kevin Barbeau, #142

Narrative:

On Thursday, November 17, 2022, the Bureau of Criminal Investigation responded to the Ross County Sheriff's Office (RCSO) located at 28 North Paint St., Chillicothe, Ohio. BCI was requested to investigate an Officer-Involved Critical Incident (shooting) that occurred on this date between RCSO Sergeant Eric Kocheran (involved officer) and an unidentified involved male. During an interaction between Sgt. Kocheran and the male there was an exchange of gunfire and Sgt. Kocheran was injured and transported to Grant Medical Center (Columbus). The male was transported Adena Medical Center where he died.

During the course of the investigation BCI Crime Scene Special Agent Chad Holcomb responded to Adena Medical Center in order to collect fingerprints from the deceased. The attached prints were sent to BCI Senior Fingerprint Examiner Kelvin Gearheart for identification purposes. Examiner Gearheart responded with the attached e-mail providing the identification of the deceased as Nicholas C. Mitchell (BCI#: [REDACTED]).

Attachments:

- Attachment # 01: Finger Print Confirmation Communication
- Attachment # 02: Deceaseds tattoos
- Attachment # 03: Deceaseds tattoos
- Attachment # 04: 20221117083614
- Attachment # 05: Print Scan 4
- Attachment # 06: Print Scan 3
- Attachment # 07: Print Scan 2
- Attachment # 08: Print Scan 1
- Attachment # 09: 20221117083614
- Attachment # 10: Print Scan 4
- Attachment # 11: Print Scan 3
- Attachment # 12: Print Scan 2
- Attachment # 13: Print Scan 1

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From: Kelvin Gearheart [Kelvin.Gearheart@OhioAGO.gov]
To: Larry McCoy [Larry.McCoy@OhioAGO.gov], Kevin Barbeau [Kevin.Barbeau@OhioAGO.gov], Dana Forney [Dana.Forney@OhioAGO.gov]
Cc: Matthew Collins [Matthew.Collins@OhioAGO.gov], Jennifer Lester [Jennifer.Lester@OhioAGO.gov], Rob Sollars [rob.sollars@OhioAGO.gov]
Subject: RE: prints
Sent: Thu 11/17/2022 9:36 PM GMT-05:00
Importance: Normal
Found a match to the prints:

NICHOLAS C. MITHCELL
BCI: [REDACTED]

Attached is what Jenni just provided from OHLEG.

Let me know if you need anything else.



KELVIN GEARHEART
Senior Fingerprint Examiner
Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation
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From: Larry McCoy <Larry.McCoy@OhioAGO.gov>
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2022 9:01 PM
To: Kevin Barbeau <Kevin.Barbeau@OhioAGO.gov>; Dana Forney <Dana.Forney@OhioAGO.gov>; Kelvin Gearheart <Kelvin.Gearheart@OhioAGO.gov>
Cc: Matthew Collins <Matthew.Collins@OhioAGO.gov>
Subject: RE: prints

I just them too Kelvin. And will be sending some darker ones shortly.

Sent with BlackBerry Work
(www.blackberry.com)

From: Kevin Barbeau <Kevin.Barbeau@OhioAGO.gov>
Date: Thursday, Nov 17, 2022, 8:59 PM
To: Dana Forney <Dana.Forney@OhioAGO.gov>, Kelvin Gearheart <Kelvin.Gearheart@OhioAGO.gov>
Cc: Larry McCoy <Larry.McCoy@OhioAGO.gov>, Matthew Collins <Matthew.Collins@OhioAGO.gov>

Subject: prints

I am opening up the communication for the fingerprints. We are working on getting those scanned in order to send to Kelvin.

Thank you for your quick response.



Kevin Barbeau, CFE

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Special Investigations Unit - Major Crimes

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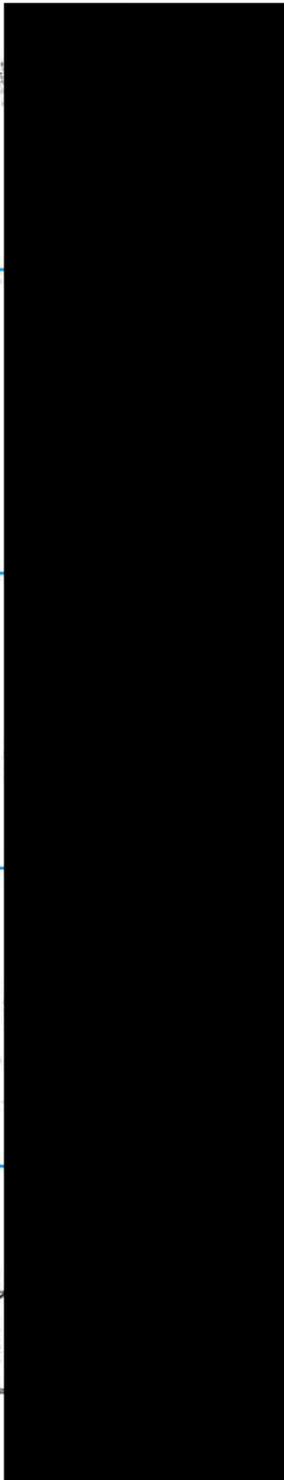
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3. R. MIDDLE

4. R. RING

5. R. LITTLE

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9. L. RING

10. L. LITTLE

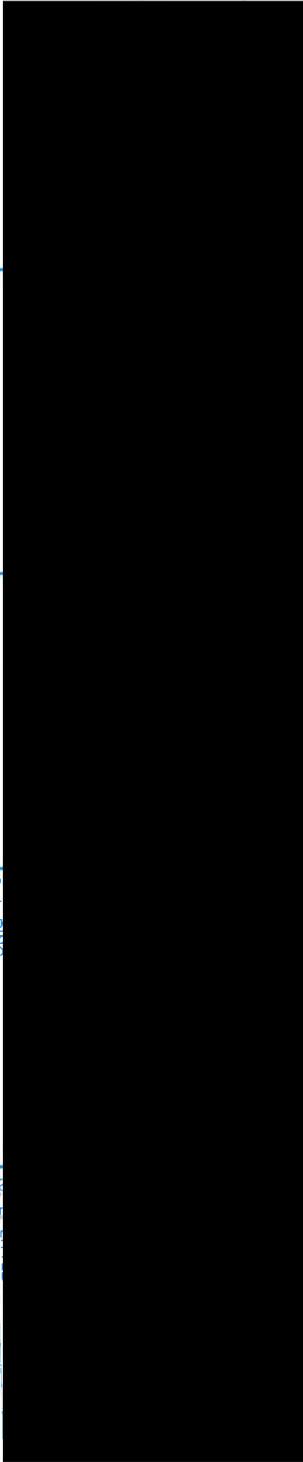


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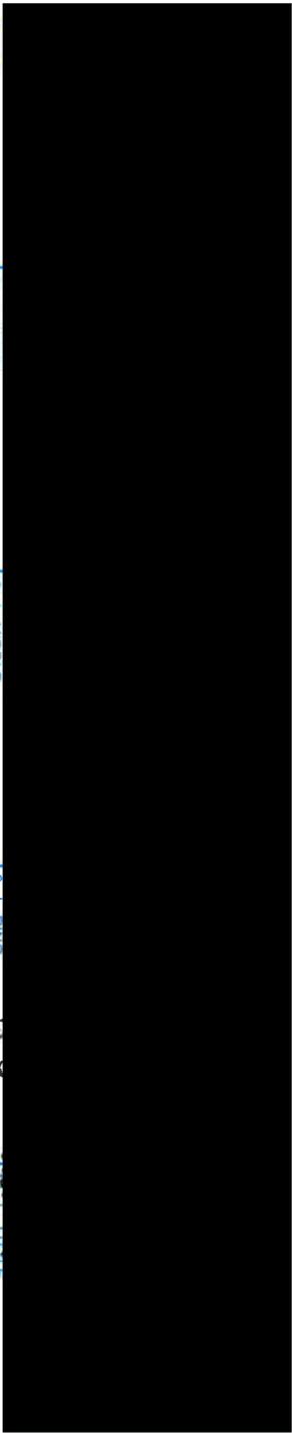
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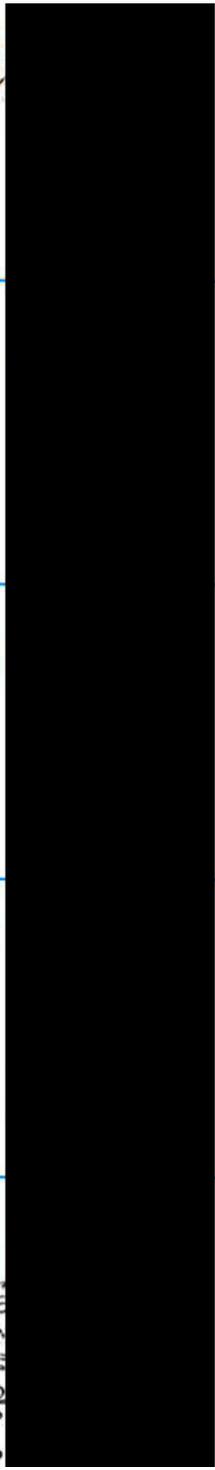
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5. R. LITTLE

IP SWELL DOWN



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9. L RING



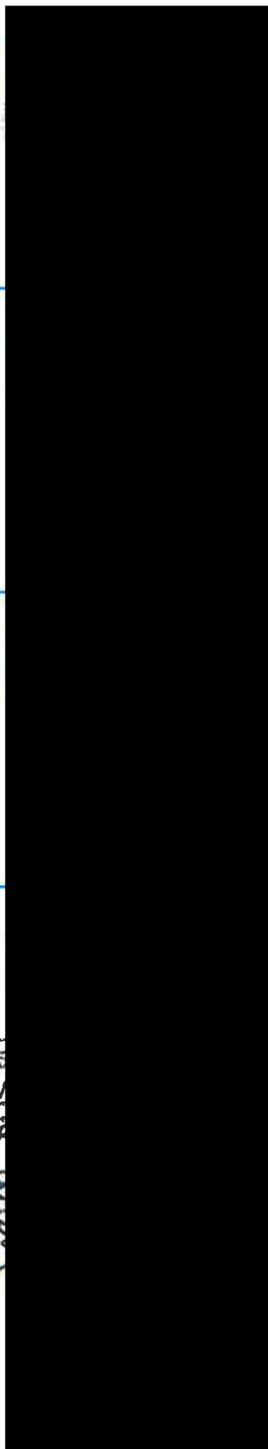
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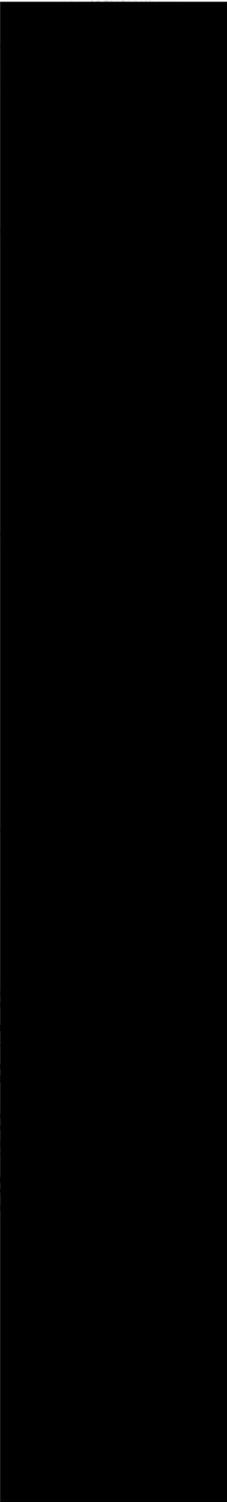
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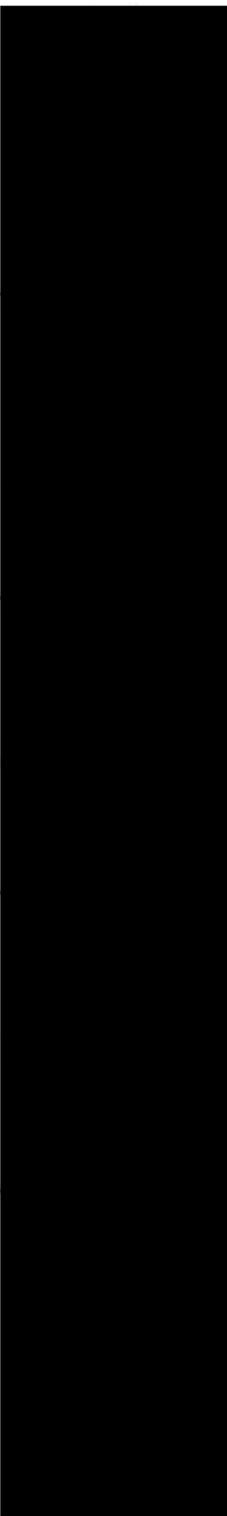
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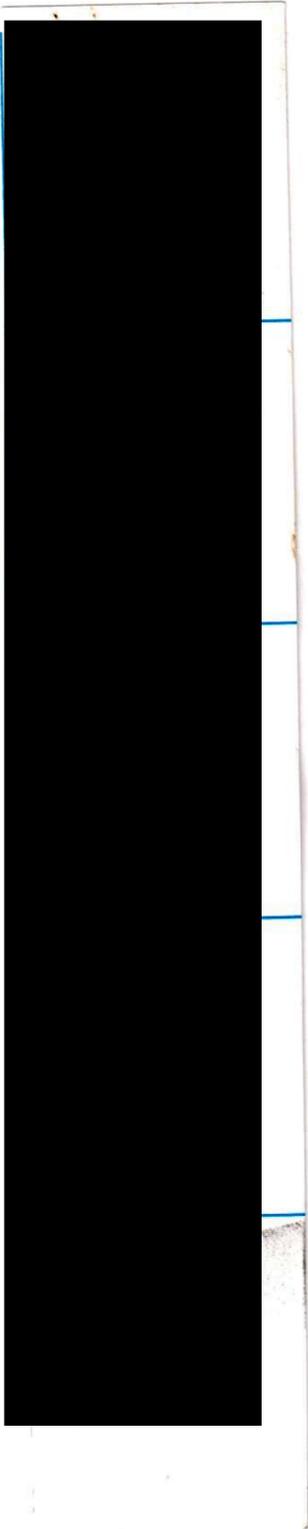
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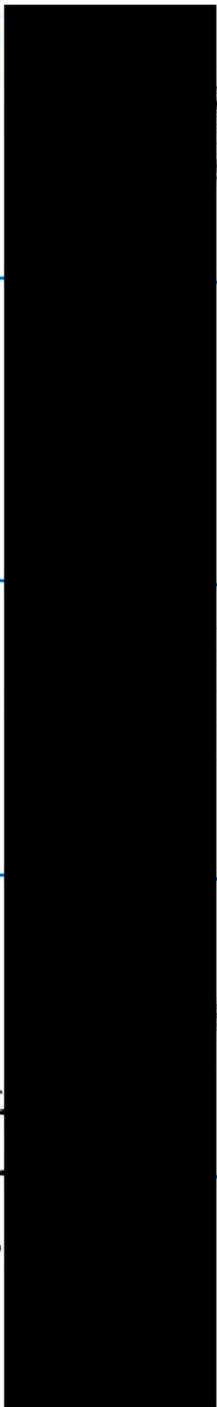
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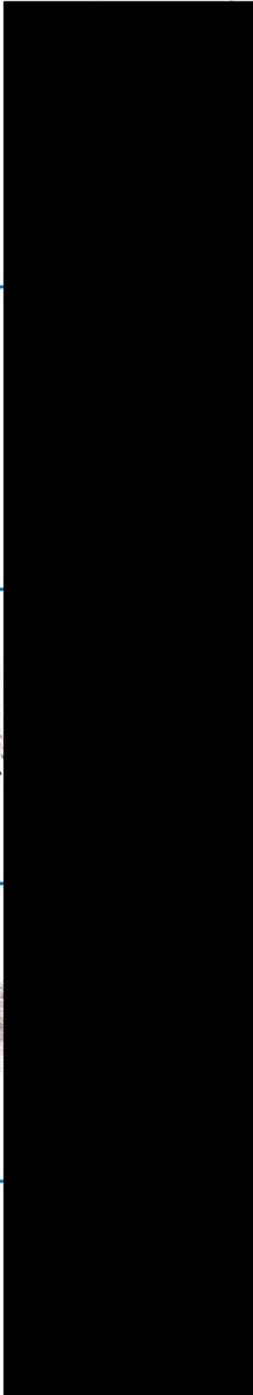
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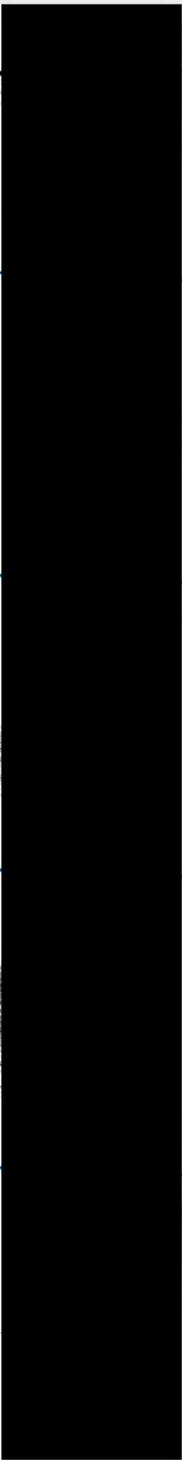
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4. R RING

5. R LITTLE

JP S. Anderson



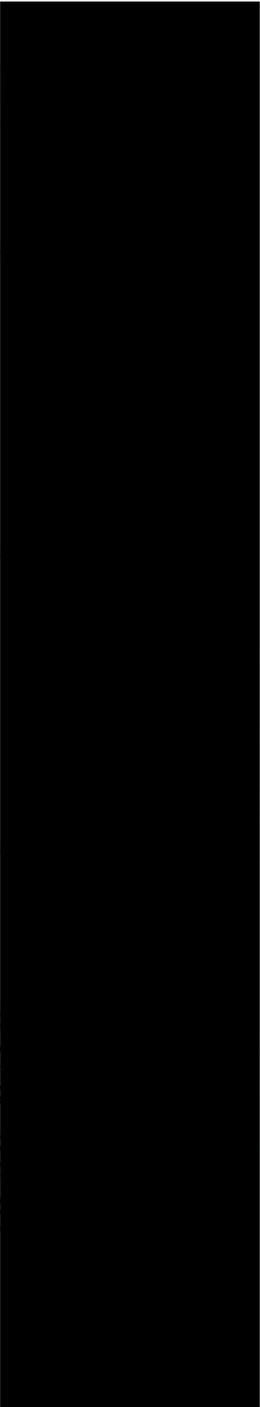
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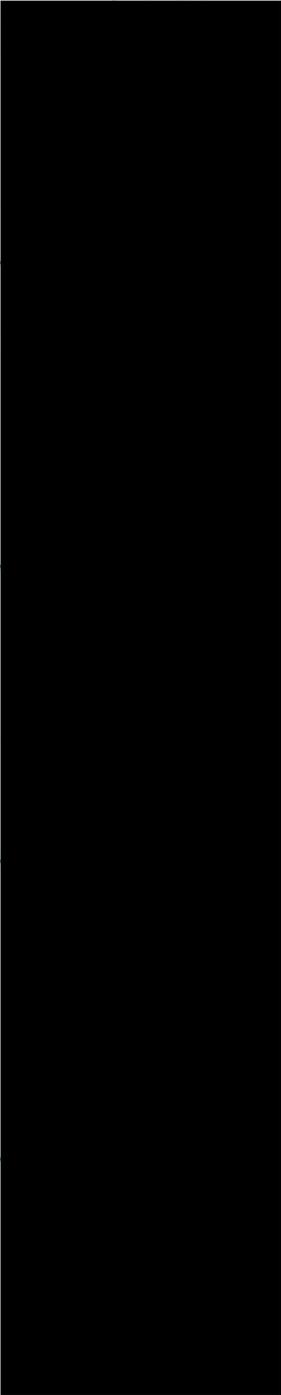
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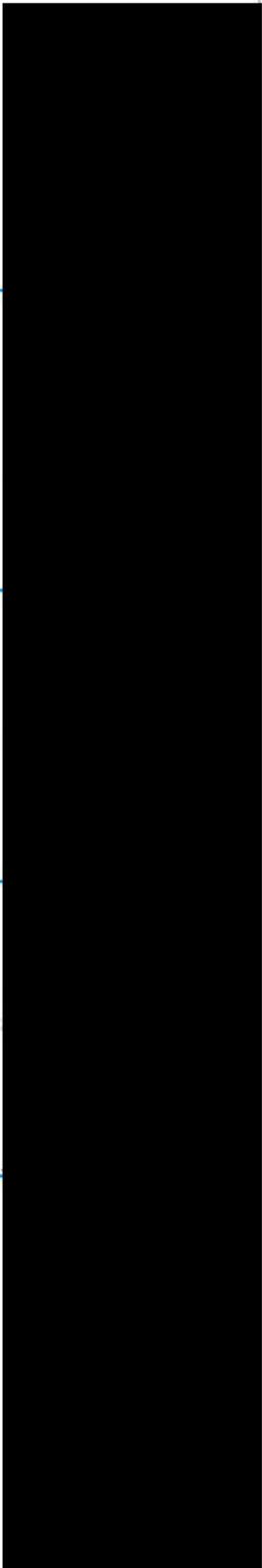
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Stacy

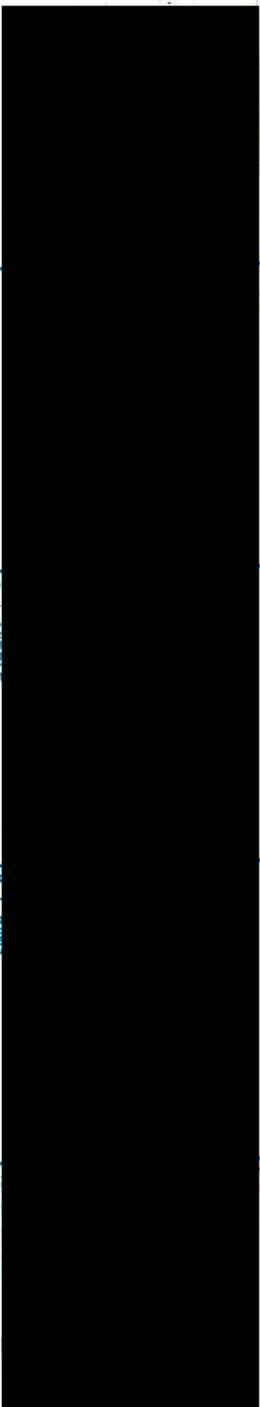


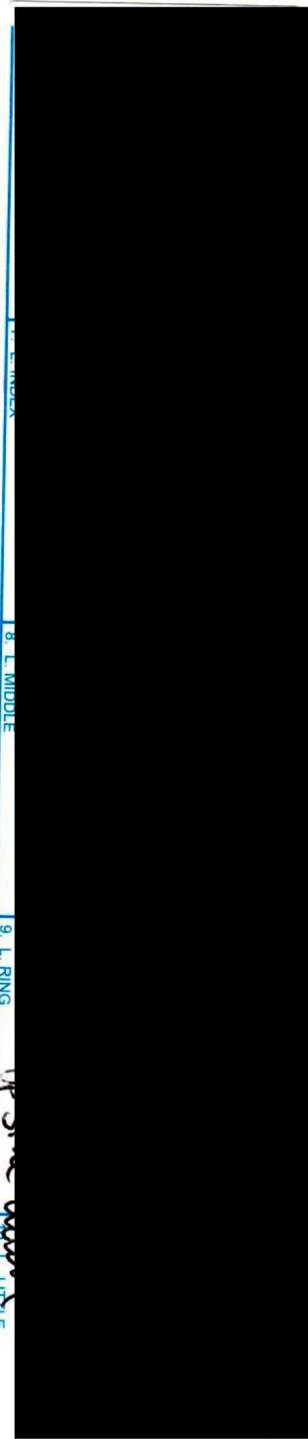
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8. L. MIDDLE

9. L. RING

UP SIDE
10. L. LITTLE

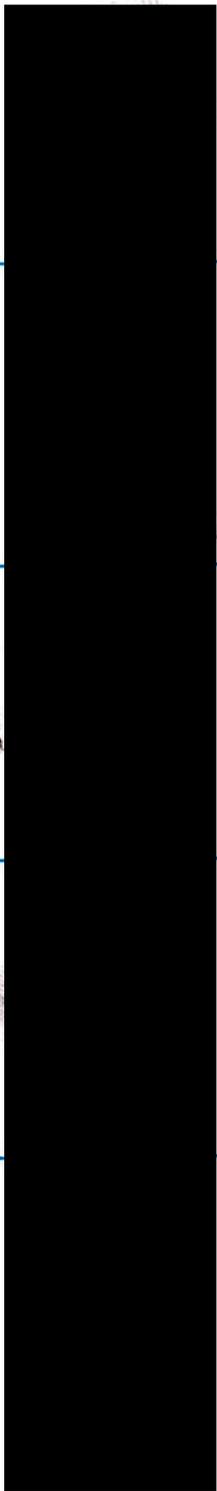
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