



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



2024-3954
Officer Involved Critical Incident - 3487 Belmont Avenue,
Youngstown, Ohio, 44505

Investigative Activity: Review of Liberty Township PD report
Involves: Liberty Township PD (O)
Activity Date: 01/13/2025
Activity Location: BCI Richfield
Authoring Agent: SA Jonathan Lieber

Narrative:

On Monday, January 13, 2025, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Joe Goudy received documents from Liberty Township Police Department (LTPD) Detective Jeffrey Palmer II (Palmer). The records, which were requested, included any reports pertaining to the December 16, 2024, officer-involved critical incident, except for any statements made by the involved officers. SA Jon Lieber (Lieber) reviewed the documents and noted the following:

A total of 9-pages were received related to LTPD incident # [REDACTED].

The report consisted of incident information, computer-aided dispatch (CAD) records, as well as report supplements from Officer Mike Shuster (Shuster) and Detective Palmer.

The incident information section listed the incident date of December 16, 2024, at 1440 hours. The location of the incident was Harbor Freight, 3487 Belmont Avenue, Liberty Township, OH.

Two supplemental reports were written by Officer Shuster. One report detailed the next of kin notification to Cain's family. During the next of kin notification, Cain's stepfather, Thomas Brydon (Brydon), stated that he believed that Cain "had this coming" due to Cain's multiple contacts with law enforcement, previous felony convictions, and drug abuse. Brydon also stated that he was aware that Cain had a stolen vehicle, and a rifle (.22 caliber Savage) and that Cain's behavior prohibited him from coming around the house. The other report written by Officer Shuster detailed the obtaining of medical records from Mercy Health related to the treatment of Jason Cain.

Two supplemental reports were written by Detective Palmer. One report detailed the finding of a cartridge case in the Harbor Freight parking lot by Liberty Township Road Superintendent Wayne Hickman. The other report detailed communication with the Mahoning County Coroner's Office.

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The CAD records up to the time that BCI agents arrived on scene are shown below.

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The report for LTPD incident # [REDACTED] was attached to this investigative report.
Please refer to the attachment for further details.

References:

None

Attachments:

1. Liberty Twp. PD report [REDACTED]

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Liberty Township Police Department

Liberty Township
Police Department
1315 Churchill-Hubbard Rd
Liberty Twp, OH 44505
Phone: (330)759-1315
Fax:

Investigative Report

Incident #: [REDACTED]

Report Date:

Monday, December 16, 2024

Incident Information

Call Type: **INVESTIGATION** Call ID: [REDACTED]
Location: HARBOR FREIGHT 3487 BELMONT AVE LIBERTY TWP Zone: 900
Occurred Between: 12/16/2024 14:40:00 And 12/16/2024 14:40:00
Supervisor: 902 RAY BUHALA Unit on Scene:
Officer Report: 902 RAY BUHALA Officer Assigned: 926 Jeffrey Palmer
Boards: D, C or J: Copies To:
Approved By: 902 RAY BUHALA Approved Date: 12/18/2024
Clearance Code: I - INVESTIGATION PENDING

Dispatch Times

Received: 14:40 Dispatched: 09:55 Arrived: 14:55 Cleared: Total:

Charge Information

Charge	ORC	Local	POC	Court Date
Theft _ without consent F4	2913.02A1			

Incident Names

<div>Entry Type</div> <div>NOK</div>	Name: CAIN, TERRY L Address: 7880 ORANGEVILLE RD Sex: F Race: W Hgt: 5 10 Wgt: 200 Hair: BROWN Eyes: BROWN DOB: 05/28/1963 Phone1: [REDACTED] Phone2:
<div>Entry Type</div> <div>PAS</div>	Name: TILLERY, HANNA MARIE Address: 202 E PROSPECT ST Sex: F Race: W Hgt: 5 9 Wgt: 265 Hair: BROWN Eyes: BROWN DOB: 08/14/2001 Phone1: Phone2:
<div>Entry Type</div> <div>SUB</div>	Name: GELONESE, DOMINICK MICHAEL Address: 3945 MONTEREALE DR Sex: M Race: Hgt: 5 10 Wgt: 165 Hair: BROWN Eyes: BROWN DOB: 06/25/1999 Phone1: Phone2:
<div>Entry Type</div> <div>SUB</div>	Name: CHAPMAN, ANDREW Address: 0 Sex: Race: Hgt: 0 0 Wgt: 0 Hair: Eyes: DOB: 09/18/1987 Phone1: Phone2:
<div>Entry Type</div> <div>SUB</div>	Name: WOOLACOTT, TIFFANY LEA Address: 841 MABEL ST Sex: F Race: Hgt: 5 6 Wgt: 165 Hair: BROWN Eyes: BROWN DOB: 11/07/1986 Phone1: Phone2:
<div>Entry Type</div> <div>SUS</div>	Name: CAIN, JASON A Address: 649 WILSON SHARPSVILLE RD Sex: M Race: W Hgt: 5 10 Wgt: 172 Hair: BROWN Eyes: BROWN DOB: 04/05/1993 Phone1: Phone2:
<div>Entry Type</div> <div>WIT</div>	Name: NERI, LINDY FLORENCE Address: 608 POLAND AVE Sex: F Race: W Hgt: 5 3 Wgt: 220 Hair: BROWN Eyes: BROWN DOB: 03/28/2003 Phone1: [REDACTED] Phone2:



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Incident #: [REDACTED]

Report Date: Monday, December 16, 2024

Incident Names

Name:	GARCIA, PRINCESS				DOB:	10/21/1992
Entry Type	Address:	0	, OH	Phone1:	[REDACTED]	
WIT	Sex:	F	Race:	H	Hgt:	0 0
	Wgt:	0	Hair:		Eyes:	
Name:	MCCALISTER, SARAH				DOB:	03/07/1992
Entry Type	Address:	0	, OH	Phone1:	[REDACTED]	
WIT	Sex:	F	Race:	W	Hgt:	0 0
	Wgt:	0	Hair:		Eyes:	
Name:	ALEXANDER, ROBERT				DOB:	03/02/1991
Entry Type	Address:	0	, OH	Phone1:	[REDACTED]	
WIT	Sex:	M	Race:	U	Hgt:	0 0
	Wgt:	0	Hair:		Eyes:	

Incident Property

<u>Make</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Serial #</u>	<u>Value</u>
Prop.Type			\$ 1.00
EV	Description:	Remarks:	
	JEEP KEY		
<u>Make</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Serial #</u>	<u>Value</u>
Prop.Type	WINCHESTER	9MM LUGER	\$ 1.00
EV	Description:	Remarks:	
	WINCHESTER 9MM SHELL CASING		
<u>Make</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Serial #</u>	<u>Value</u>
Prop.Type	Verbatim		\$ 0.00
OTHER	Description:	Remarks:	
	CD		

Incident Vehicles

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stolen	<input type="checkbox"/> Recovered	<input type="checkbox"/> Impounded	<input type="checkbox"/> Abandoned	<input type="checkbox"/> Unauthorized Use			
<input type="checkbox"/> Suspect Vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/> Victim Vehicle						
Plate#:	KMQ4492	State:	OH	License Year:		Plate Type:	PC
Year:	2023	Make:	JEEP	Model:		Body Style:	
VIN:	1C4RJHAG1P8892284	Color:	WHITE /	Value:			
Owner:		Address:	, OH 44420				
Phone:	() -	Insured By:		OCA#:			
Towed:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Towed By:		Towed To:			
Date Recovered:		Where Recovered:					
Additional Description							



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☐ Stolen ☐ Recovered ☐ Impounded ☐ Abandoned ☐ Unauthorized Use
☐ Suspect Vehicle ☐ Victim Vehicle

Plate#: JYP6766 State: OH License Year: Plate Type: PC
Year: 2014 Make: FORD Model: 4 DOOR Body Style:
VIN: 1FADP3F25EL370363 Color: SILVER / Value:
Owner: NERI LINDY FLORENCE Address: 608 POLAND AVE STRUTHERS, OH 44471
Phone: [REDACTED] Insured By: OCA#:
Towed: ☐ Towed By: Towed To:

Date Recovered:

Where Recovered:

Additional Description

Narrative Report

On the above date and time, officers were notified via Flock of a stolen license plate that was northbound from Belmont Avenue and Gypsy Lane. An investigation ensued.

Reporting Officer: _____

Date: _____

Supervisor: _____

Date: _____

Entered By: _____

Date: _____

Approved By: _____

Date: _____



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Reporting Officer: 926 Jeffrey Palmer

INC#: [REDACTED]

CFS#: [REDACTED]

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(16:38:18 by 8422) 902 ADV TERRY L CAIN MOTHER 2119 CUSTER ORANGEVILLE//SENDI NG COUNTY TO ATL

(16:48:53 by 8422) BCI AT 25

(17:01:05 by 8422) 904 REQ ALL 911 CALLS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS CALL BE EMAILED

TO 902//SUPERVISOR VASEL ADV
(17:08:27 by 8422) 921 CLEAR HOSP//922 TURNED OVER EVIDENCE TO BCI
(17:27:29 by 8422) CHECKED RESIDENCE FOR MOM SHE HASNT BEEN THERE FOR 6 YEARS
(17:29:08 by 8422) 902 ADV
(17:50:23 by 8422) CHECK OUT FEMALE PASS//

Reporting Officer:	<hr/>	Date:	<hr/>
Supervisor:	<hr/>	Date:	<hr/>
Entered By:	<hr/>	Date:	<hr/>
Approved By:	<hr/>	Date:	<hr/>

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Date: 12/17/2024

Reporting Officer: 904 Mike Shuster

INC#:

CFS#

Supplement Title: Family Notification

With the assistance of the South Pymatuning Police Chief, Mathew Roth, I was able to identify and locate next of kin for Jason Cain. I spoke with Jason's step father, Thomas Brydon, who is married to Jason's mother Terry Cain Brydon. When asked, Thomas Brydon stated that Terry was emotionally in no condition to talk. I choose to inform Thomas of the OIS with Jason Cain. He stated that he saw the news footage with the stolen Jeep and figured that incident involved Jason but was not certain. Thomas and I spoke about the incidents leading up to the call at Harbor Freight. He was aware of the stolen motor vehicle, license plate and rifle (22 cal. Savage) and as a result of Jason's behavior prohibited him from coming around the house. Thomas was also aware of some additional theft investigations involving Jason and the Hermatiage Police Department. Based on these findings Thomas stated that Jason "had this coming". When asked to expound on that comment, Thomas discussed the multiple run-ins with law enforcement, previous felony convictions, and drug abuse. Thomas stated that he was not originally aware of the drug abuse but learned this information from South Pymatuning PD. Thomas added that stealing vehicles and firearms would eventually catch up to Jason.

Thomas inquired if his stolen rifle was located inside the Jeep. He was informed that the vehicle and it's contents will not be inventoried until the end of the week and if any relevant property is discovered he will be made aware. I requested that Thomas and his wife keep the communication lines open to discuss this matter in the future. He agreed that they would be willing to talk after the emotions have settled.

The family was informed that Jason was currently at Mercy Heath St Elizabeth Hospital Youngstown, Ohio receiving medical care.

Reporting Officer:

Date:

Supervisor:

Date:

Entered By:

Date:

Approved By:

Date:

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Date: 12/20/2024

Reporting Officer: 926 Jeffrey Palmer

INC#:

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Supplement Title: Shell Casing Recovery

On December 19, 2024, at approximately 12220 hours, I spoke with Liberty Road Superintendent Wayne Hickman at the Liberty Police Department. Wayne stated that while walking through the parking lot of Harbor Freight, he located a spent shell casing and believed it to be related to this incident. Wayne stated that he collected the spent casing and immediately contacted Captain Buhala, who requested that he bring it to the police department. Wayne turned over a spent Winchester 9mm shell casing, which I collected as evidence.

On December 20, 2024, the spent casing was turned over to Special Agent Larry Hootman, of the BCI Crime Scene Unit.

Reporting Officer:

Date:

Supervisor:

Date:

Entered By:

Date:

Approved By:

Date:

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Date: 12/20/2024

Reporting Officer: 926 Jeffrey Palmer

INC#:



CFS#:



Supplement Title: Death Notification

On December 20, 2024, at approximately 0900 hours, I was contacted by the Investigator Octavius Jones of the Mahoning County Coroner's Office, who advised of Jason Cain's death. Investigator Jones advised that Cain had died at approximately 1730 hours on December 19th and that his autopsy was being performed this morning at the Cuyahoga County Coroner's Office.

Captain Buhala had also been made aware of this information by Mahoning County and conveyed it to Special Agent Joe Goudy of BCI.

A message was left with Thomas and Terry Brydon requesting a call back.

Reporting Officer:

Date:

Supervisor:

Date:

Entered By:

Date:

Approved By:

Date:

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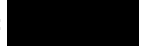
Date: 01/07/2025

Reporting Officer: 904 Mike Shuster

INC#:



CFS#:



Supplement Title: Medical Records Request

Upon receipt of subpoena, Mercy Health Records provided a CD containing Mr. Cain's medical records during his treatment. The disc has been placed in evidence.

Reporting Officer:

Date:

Supervisor:

Date:

Entered By:

Date:

Approved By:

Date:
