



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



2022-2608  
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 28 North Paint St., Chillicothe  
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**Investigative Activity:** Evidence Collection  
**Involves:** Officer Shane Daubenmire (W), Officer Matthew Richardson (W)  
**Date of Activity:** 11/28/2022  
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**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 Nicholas Mitchell (involved party). During an interaction between Sgt. Kocheran and Mitchell there was an exchange of gunfire and Sgt. Kocheran was injured and transported to Grant Medical Center (Columbus). Mitchell was transported Adena Medical Center where he died.

During interviews with Chillicothe Police Department (CPD) Officers it was learned BCI needed to contact CPD Captain Michael Short in order to collect related Body Worn Camera footage of the aforementioned event.

On Monday, November 28, 2022, Special Agent Supervisor Kevin Barbeau contacted Captain Short to request said BWC footage. On this same date SAS Barbeau received via e-mail a link to collect BWC video from CPD Officer Richardson and CPD Officer Daubenmire. These audio and video files were downloaded onto a thumb drive and maintained in the physical case file.

This audio and video will be reviewed during the course of this investigation.

**References:**

USB Thumbdrive CPD BWC Footage