



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



2024-3052

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 10300 block Silvercreek Road, Doylestown, Ohio 44230, Medina County

Investigative Activity: Subject Vehicle Processing

Involves: Medina County Sheriff's Department

Activity Date: 10/08/2024

Activity Location: Montville Police Department, 6665 Wadsworth Rd, Montville, Ohio 44256

Authoring Agent: S/A Chad Doran #177

Narrative:

On 10/08/2024 at 1000 hrs, BCI Crime Scene Unit Special Agents Larry Hootman and Chad Doran responded to the Montville Police Department, 6665 Wadsworth Rd, Montville, Ohio 44256, to execute a search warrant on the involved gray 2014 Ford F-150 pickup truck owned by the subject in this case, David Septer. The search warrant was authored by BCI Special Investigations Unit S/A Jon Lieber and issued through the Medina County Court of Common Pleas.

The subject of the search warrant was a gray 2014 Ford F-150 four-door pickup truck bearing Ohio registration KHN9669. The vehicle was stored inside the secured Montville Police Department evidence garage.

S/A Hootman took overall photographs of the vehicle exterior and interior as it was found. The driver's door had multiple ballistic impacts on both the interior and exterior sides. Scales were applied to all ballistic impacts. The six impacts on the interior side of the door were labeled "BI 1.0" through "BI 6.0." Ballistic impacts 4.0 and 5.0 perforated the driver's door. All other projectiles terminated at or within the driver's door. Trajectory rods were set in BI 1.0, BI 4.0, and BI 5.0. A red-brown stain was observed on the jamb side of the driver's door. This was photographed and labeled as "Stain A." S/A Doran used a sterile cotton-tipped applicator with distilled water and collected a sample of the stain. The swab was left to air-dry and was then sealed into a paper envelope.

S/A Doran took additional photographs with the scales and trajectory rods in place. S/A Hootman deployed the Leica BLK360 scanner and scanned the vehicle with trajectory rods and scales in place. The scan data was later prepared for viewing using the Leica Cyclone Register360 software. Agents removed the plastic interior driver's door panel but were unable to locate any projectiles inside the door.

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Figure 1: A view of the driver's door interior, showing the ballistic impacts with scales and trajectory rods in place.



Figure 2: A view of the driver's door jamb side, showing "Stain A" and its position related to "BI 2.0."

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Figure 3: A view of the driver's door exterior with scales and trajectory rods in place.

Agents searched the passenger cabin and bed of the vehicle. In the second-row seat area, agents located a handwritten letter to person named "Heather" (item 24), court documents for David Septer (item 25), and a cardboard box containing 7 unfired rifle cartridges and four projectiles with no visible defects (item 26). A fired projectile was also located on the second row, passenger's side seat (item 31).



Figure 4: A projectile found on the second-row, passenger's side seat (circled).

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A black Apple iPhone in a protective case was recovered from on top of the center console (item 32). Three unfired rifle cartridges were in the front left cupholder (item 27). A brown bi-fold wallet was located above the driver's seat sun visor (item 28). The wallet contained \$284.00 in US currency, an Ohio driver's license for David Septer, miscellaneous credit and membership cards, and a small plastic baggie containing an unknown white powder. The unknown white powder was packaged separately as item 29. Inside the center console, probation documents for David Septer were recovered (item 30).

All items seized were photographed, packaged, sealed, and initialed. A copy of the search warrant and evidence list were left inside the vehicle. S/A Doran transported all evidence to the BCI Richfield Office. Upon arrival, the Apple iPhone was turned over to the custody of S/A Lieber. It was secured on a charger in a temporary evidence locker. All other evidence items were turned over to the custody of BCI Administrative Professional Betsy Farris.

The photographs were uploaded to Matrix. The scan data was uploaded to the shared directory and stored under this case number in the "BCI Scanner" folder.

References: None

Attachments: None

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