



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



2025-2243

Officer Involved Critical Incident – 3013 Mohawk Street,  
Middletown, Ohio 45044 (L)

**Investigative Activity:** Search Warrant  
**Involves:** Ronald Hazen Kerr (S)  
**Date of Activity:** 07/13/2025  
**Activity Location:** – 3013 Mohawk Street. , Middletown, OH 45044  
**Author:** SA Steven Seitzman

**Narrative:**

**Search Warrant Obtained**

On Sunday, July 13, 2025, Middletown Police Detective Connor Kirby drafted a search warrant for 3013 Mohawk Street, Middletown, Butler County, Ohio, for the purpose of obtaining and documenting evidence related to the officer-involved critical incident that occurred on the same date. Detective Kirby presented the search warrant to Middletown Municipal Court Judge James E. Sherron, who signed and authorized the search warrant at 1926 hours.

**Search Warrant Executed**

BCI Crime Scene Unit David Hammond arrived on the scene at approximately 1955 hours, at which time the search warrant was executed. BCI agents cleared the scene on Monday, July 14, 2025, at approximately 0100 hours. Copies of the search warrant and inventory were left inside the residence. See SA Hammond's investigative report titled "2025-07-13: Crime Scene Investigation" for additional information with respect to the items of potential evidence seized.

**Search Warrant Returned**

Also on July 14, 2025, at approximately 0938 hours, Detective Kirby met with the Honorable Jerry R. McBride, a visiting judge appointed by the Ohio Supreme Court to serve on the Middletown Municipal Court. During this meeting, Judge McBride reviewed and signed the search warrant return. Detective Kirby then filed the search warrant, affidavit, inventory, and return with the Middletown Municipal Court Clerk of Courts.

The search warrant and related documents are attached to this investigative report.

**References:**

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No references.

**Attachments:**

Attachment # 01: Residential Search Warrant, Affidavit, Return, & Inventory

# APPLICATION AND AFFIDAVIT FOR SEARCH WARRANT

STATE OF OHIO,  
COUNTIES of BUTLER  
and WARREN

MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL COURT  
ONE DONHAM PLAZA  
MIDDLETOWN, OHIO 45042

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Det. Connor Kirby, affiant, being duly sworn states these facts and circumstances:

Middletown Municipal Court  
Steven P. Longworth  
Clerk of Court

## PERSON/PLACE TO BE SEARCHED - (DESCRIPTION)

3013 Mohawk St, Middletown, Ohio 40544 being a single family home, tan in color, with brown shutters. "3013" is written in black, with individual numbers, at a vertical position to the left of the front door.

All buildings associated with the property, persons present and vehicles under their control being a maroon Mazda CX-9 OH/ KMU4914 and brown Honda Odyssey OH/KDW4312, including detached garage.

## PROPERTY TO BE SEARCHED FOR AND SEIZED - (DESCRIPTION)

Affiant requests permission to allow Officers and Detectives and from the Middletown Division of Police along with Agents from the Ohio Attorney General Bureau of Criminal Investigations to enter this residence to recover anything related to the shooting that occurred 3013 Mohawk St, Middletown, Ohio 40544. This includes but not limited to firearms, weapons, ammunition, casings, written notes or texts, electronics, cell phones, iPads, laptops, computers and clothing worn by the involved subject. Along with both above listed vehicles in the driveway.

## Violation to Provision of Law:

ORC 2903.02 Murder

ORC 2903.11- Felonious Assault (with a deadly weapon)

July 14th, 2025 DATE  
I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE A TRUE AND  
CORRECT COPY OF THE ORIGINAL Search Warrant Return  
ON FILE IN THIS COURT.

MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL COURT  
STEVEN P. LONGWORTH, CLERK

PERMISSION FOR NIGHTTIME SEARCH - (From 8:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.) By Det. Connor Kirby Deputy CLERK II

       Is not requested.

xxx Is requested for the above and the following reasons and facts: Signing and service of warrant, along with delivery of warrant and executing warrant will potentially be after 8:00pm

Request for wavier of Statutory Precondition for Nonconsensual Entry        YES /   X   NO

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# SEARCH WARRANT

STATE OF OHIO,  
COUNTIES of BUTLER  
and WARREN

MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL COURT  
ONE DONHAM PLAZA  
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To the Chief of the Middletown Division of Police, or any Law Enforcement Officer with authority, whereas an affidavit(s) sworn to before a Judge of a court of record, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated therein, I, as judge of this court of record, find that grounds or "probable cause" does exist for issuing this search warrant.

You are commanded to initiate this search of the person / place / account and seize the property / information described below. Your search shall be within the territorial jurisdiction of the court, within three days (excluding the date this warrant is issued, Saturday, Sunday and any legal holiday) and (X one):

\_\_\_\_\_ Only in the daytime (7:00 A.M to 8:00 P.M. EST)

xxx Any time day or night.

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Steven P. Longworth  
Clerk of Court

PROMPTLY RETURN THIS WARRANT, WITH A RECEIPT OR INDICATION OF ANY PROPERTY OR INFORMATION RECOVERED, TO THE UNDERSIGNED JUDGE.

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Date 7/13/25 at 7:26 P.M.

(Judge / Magistrate Signature)

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## FACTUAL BASIS FOR SEARCH WARRANT

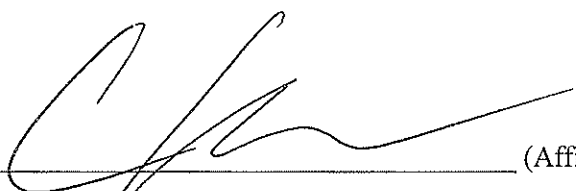
I, Connor Kirby #570 of the Middletown Division of Police, Middletown, Butler County OH, being first duly sworn, depose and say:

I am a Police Detective assigned to the Criminal Investigations Unit of the Middletown Division of Police. I am empowered by law to conduct investigations of, and to make arrests for, violations of the laws of the State of Ohio and Municipal Ordinances of the City of Middletown and I have been employed as a law enforcement officer by the City of Middletown for approximately ten years. During this time I have been involved in a wide variety of criminal investigations.

On 7/13/2025 at 1642 Middletown Police Officers responded to 3013 Mohawk St, Middletown, Ohio 45044 on a report of a female with a gunshot wound. Upon arrival Officers approached the residence and encountered a male inside the front door who pointed a firearm at them. Subsequently more Officers arrived on scene and attempted to negotiate with the male, who then closed the front door. Officers then responded to the back of the residence of 3013 Mohawk Street, to continue to negotiate with the male inside the residence. And attempt to make contact with the female in the house.

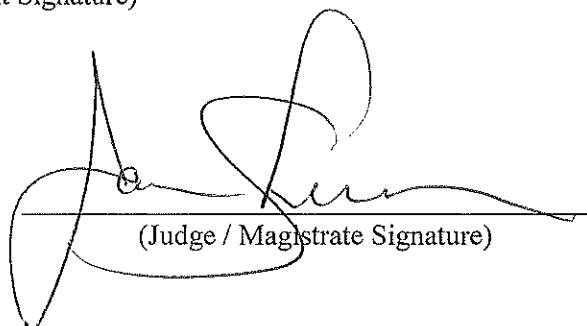
Officers while at the back door saw the male with a gun who at that point the male fired the gun at Officers. Officers returned fire and struck the male fatally wounding him. Officers then made entry into the residence and found the male deceased in the kitchen and found an adult female deceased in the front living room.

At this time Affiant requests permission to allow Officers and Detectives and from the Middletown Division of Police along with Agents from the Ohio Attorney General Bureau of Criminal Investigations to enter this residence to recover anything related to the shooting that occurred 3013 Mohawk St, Middletown, Ohio 40544. This includes but not limited to firearms, weapons, ammunition, written notes or texts, electronics, cell phones, iPads, laptops, computers and clothing worn by the involved subject. Along with both above listed vehicles in the driveway.

 (Affiant Signature)

Sworn to before me and signed in my presence on:

Date 7/13/25 at 7:26 P. M.

  
(Judge / Magistrate Signature)

Agency:  
 Prepared By:  
 Case Date: Jul 13, 2025  
 Offense(s): Officer Involved Critical Incident  
 Victim(s):  
 Witness(es): Tim McNeely  
 Suspect(s):  
 Scene #: 1  
 Scene Address: 3013 Mohawk Street, Middletown, OH 45044

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 Clerk of Court



Evidence #	Item Description	Location	Collected By	Date/Time
1	Gun/Firearm Cardboard Box containing Handgun (Pistol or Revolver) -- Quantity: 1; SCCY DVG-1 9mm pistol- S/N: D025292 with empty seated magazine- located on back of chair	Living Room:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
2	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; RP 9mm Luger cartridge casing- located on chair	Living Room:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
3	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; RP 9mm Luger cartridge casing- located on chair	Living Room:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
4	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; RP 9mm Luger cartridge casing- located on chair	Living Room:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
5	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; RP 9mm Luger cartridge casing- located on chair	Living Room:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
6	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; RP 9mm Luger cartridge casing- located on chair	Living Room:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
7	Plastic Bag containing Cell Phone -- Quantity: 1; Black Samsung cellphone- placed in airplane mode - located on arm of chair	Living Room:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
8	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; RP 9mm Luger cartridge casing- located on floor behind front door	Living Room:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
9	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; RP 9mm Luger cartridge casing- located on floor in front of chair	Living Room:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
10	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; RP 9mm Luger cartridge casing- located on floor in front of couch	Living Room:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
11	Plastic Bag containing Cell Phone -- Quantity: 1; Samsung cellphone in pink case with suspected blood - SIM card removed- located on couch	Living Room:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
12	Gun/Firearm Cardboard Box containing Handgun (Pistol or Revolver) -- Quantity: 1; Diamondback Firearm DB9 9mm pistol- S/N: YK5391- one cartridge from chamber and seated magazine containing 5 cartridges- located on tv stand	Living Room:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
13	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; RP 9mm Luger cartridge casing- located on floor behind chair	Living Room:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025

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13.1	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; RP 9mm Luger cartridge casing- located on floor behind chair	Living Room:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
14	Paper Bag containing Firearm Accessory -- Black Walther CCP gun box with S/N: WK151599 containing one 9mm magazine with cartridges, paperwork, and gun lock- located on shelf	Back Bedroom:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
15	Paper Bag containing Firearm Accessory -- Assorted ammunition- located in nightstand drawer	Back Bedroom:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
17	Gun/Firearm Cardboard Box containing Handgun (Pistol or Revolver) -- Quantity: 1; Silver and blue Walther CCP 9mm pistol S/N: WK151599 with one cartridge in chamber and 7 cartridges in seated magazine - located on floor under wheelchair	Kitchen:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
18	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; RP 9mm Luger cartridge casing- located on floor	Kitchen:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
19	Envelope containing Fired Projectile -- Quantity: 1; Projectile- located on floor	Hallway:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
20	Envelope containing Fired Projectile -- Quantity: 1; Projectile- located on kitchen counter	Kitchen:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
21	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; Speer 21 REM 223 cartridge casing- located on kitchen floor by back door	Kitchen:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
22	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; Speer 21 REM 223 cartridge casing- located on kitchen floor by back door	Kitchen:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
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25	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; Speer 21 REM 223 cartridge casing- located on ramp by back door	Back porch:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
26	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; Speer 21 REM 223 cartridge casing- located on floor	Back porch:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
27	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; Speer 21 REM 223 cartridge casing- located on floor	Back porch:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
28	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing --	Back porch:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025

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29	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; Speer 21 REM 223 cartridge casing- located on ground by porch	Backyard :	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
30	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; Speer 21 REM 223 cartridge casing- located on ground by porch	Backyard :	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
31	Envelope containing Fired Cartridge Casing -- Quantity: 1; Speer 21 REM 223 cartridge casing- located on ground by porch	Backyard :	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025
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36	Envelope containing Fired Projectile -- Quantity: 1; Projectile- located inside back of couch	Living Room:	Dave Hammond	Jul 13, 2025

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# RETURN OF SEARCH WARRANT

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On 7/13/15 I received this warrant, and (complete A or B):

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A. Warrant Served. On 7/13/15 at 2000 M., I executed this warrant at the place of  
Middletown Municipal Court  
Steven P. Longworth  
Clerk of Court  
upon the person named therein.

Thereafter (X one):

\_\_\_\_\_ Person present. I gave a copy of this search warrant to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, the person searched or at whose place the search was made.

X Person Absent. I left a copy of this search warrant at 3013 MOHAWK  
ST, MIDDLETOWN, OH, the place named in the  
search warrant and where the search was made was not present.

Further (X one): \_\_\_\_\_ No property was taken. X Property was taken, as shown by  
The attached inventory/ receipt.

B. Warrant Unserved. I am returning this search warrant because:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date 7/14/15 at 0938 M. Middletown PD  
Agency \_\_\_\_\_  
[Signature]  
(Officer Serving Warrant Signature)

Sworn to before me and signed in my presence on:

Date 7-17-15 at 09:39 M.  
Date \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_  
[Signature]  
(Judge Signature)

# The Supreme Court of Ohio

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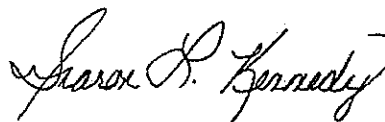
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Middletown Municipal Court  
Steven P. Longworth  
Clerk of Court

## CERTIFICATE OF ASSIGNMENT

The Honorable Jerry R. McBride, a retired judge of the Clermont County Court of Common Pleas, General Division is assigned effective May 8, 2025, to preside in the Middletown Municipal Court, for the specific period of July 14, 2025, and to conclude any proceedings in which the judge participated, pursuant to Guideline 6.10. In the event proceedings have not concluded within three months of the end of the assignment, a new request must be made pursuant to Guideline 9.01(B) and 9.02(C).

This assignment shall not be used for cases in which the sitting judge is recusing due to a conflict of interest. Pursuant to Guideline 9.01(B)(2), the administrative judge shall direct the original certificate of assignment to be filed with the clerk of court, entered upon the miscellaneous journal of the court, and included in the court record of every case heard by the assigned judge.



Sharon L. Kennedy  
Chief Justice