



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



2022-0310
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 913 Lebanon Street, Monroe,
Ohio (L)

Investigative Activity: Search Warrant
Involves: Dustin Booth (S)
Date of Activity: 02/12/2022
Activity Location: Booth, Dustin – Home – 120 Bluegrass Lane, Monroe, OH 45050,
Butler County
Author: SA Douglas Eveslage, #66

Narrative:

On February 12, 2022, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was contacted by the City of Monroe Police Department to investigate an Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that occurred on February 11, 2022, at 2245 hours, in the area of New Garver Road at Lebanon Street, in Butler County, involving Monroe police officers and Dustin Booth. BCI agents learned the incident started earlier in the day from a 911 call, continued at Booth's residence of 120 Bluegrass Lane, Monroe, Ohio 45050, and concluded with a traffic stop at the OICI location.

Special Agent Douglas Eveslage (SA Eveslage) authored a warrant for Dustin Booth's residence of 120 Bluegrass Lane, Monroe, Ohio. Butler County Court of Common Pleas Judge Keith M. Spaeth signed the warrant authorizing the search of 120 Bluegrass Lane, Monroe, Ohio.

At approximately 0610 hours, SA Eveslage used the garage door opener inside Booth's GMC truck, while it was parked in the driveway, to gain access to the residence. Crime Scene Special Agent Chadwick Holcomb and Special Investigations Unit Special Agents: Richard Ward, Steven Seitzman, Kenneth Smith, and Douglas Eveslage searched the residence.

Agents noticed multiple ladders opened in the living room along with a Christmas tree, loaded shotguns placed inside window sills, and pictures and words written on windows throughout the residence. The words were written on the windows from the inside; however, in a manner so people on the outside of the residence could read them.

SA Holcomb photographed the residence and GMC truck for documentation purposes and collected paperwork as evidence.

The search warrant was completed at approximately 0715 hours on February 12, 2022. All photographs and evidence will be submitted to Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation, 1560 State Route 56, London, Ohio 43140.

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On February 14, 2022, Special Agent Steven Seitzman returned the residential search warrant to Butler County Court of Common Pleas. See attachment #1 for further details.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: Search Warrant (full) – 120 Bluegrass Lane

Exhibit 1

SW 2022-02-0066

APPLICATION AND AFFIDAVIT FOR SEARCH WARRANT

STATE OF OHIO
BUTLER COUNTY

The Butler County Court

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this day before me, the undersigned Judge, personally appeared **Special Agent Doug Eveslage, of the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation**, who being first duly sworn according to law, deposeth and saith that within the **City of Monroe**, County of Butler, State of Ohio, and within the jurisdiction of the **Butler County Court**, as this affiant believes and has good cause to believe, in a certain house or place, there is unlawfully concealed and possessed certain **firearms, weapons, ammunition, casings, fired projectiles, electronic storage devices, cell phones, computers, iPads, clothing, DNA, photographs, and paperwork** and that said affiant believes or has good cause to believe that said property, or some part thereof, is concealed and possessed in violation of law, viz: **Felonious Assault 2903.11 O.R.C. and Failure to Comply 2921.331**

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on certain premises described as follows, to wit:

120 Bluegrass Lane, Monroe, Ohio 45050; described further as a single family ranch style residence with tan brick, an attached double car garage with a brown garage door, storm door and main entry door facing, West and the numerics "120" are black in color affixed vertically to the mailbox post in the front yard near the street.

Further requested are any outbuildings, and vehicles associated with the target residence.

which premises are located within the **City of Monroe**, County of Butler and State of Ohio, within the jurisdiction of this Court; and that such belief is based upon the following facts, to wit:

1. Affiant is a Special Agent with the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation and has been a State of Ohio Peace Officer for approximately 16 years. The last 10 years have been spent with the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation special operations division focusing on narcotics investigations on the state and federal level. Since May 2021 affiant has been assigned to the special investigation unit investigating officer involved critical incidents, homicides, and other investigations. For approximately 3 years, your affiant was a detective at the Springfield Township Police Department in Hamilton County, Ohio with a focus on violent crimes and property crimes to include but not limited to: homicides, robberies, burglaries, and felonious assaults. Affiant has also been involved in numerous homicide and drug related investigations that led to arrest and convictions on the state and federal levels.
2. On February 11, 2022, at 1411 hours Brandi Booth called 911 and stated that her husband, Dustin Booth, was suffering from mental health issues and was getting into his vehicle at 71 Furlong Lane, Monroe, Ohio. Brandi told 911 that she was following Dustin in his vehicle and that Dustin was throwing money from the vehicle. Brandi stated that Dustin should not be operating a vehicle. The

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information contained in this warrant was received by Monroe Police Department and provided to your affiant.

3. Monroe Police conducted a criminal history check on Dustin Booth and were notified that Dustin has a license to carry a concealed weapon. Monroe Dispatch was on the phone with Brandi Booth and asked her if Dustin had a firearm on his person. Brandi advised the dispatcher, "I believe so."
4. On February 11, 2022, at approximately 1414 hours City of Monroe Police Officer Drew Aspacher initiated a traffic stop on a dark colored GMC pick-up truck with Ohio registration FWQ6630 at Bridle Creek at Steeple Chase. Officer Aspacher approached the vehicle and Dustin told Officer Aspacher "No, I'm not stopping. Follow me home!" Dustin parked his vehicle in the driveway of his house at 120 Bluegrass Lane, Monroe, Ohio as Officer Aspacher followed the vehicle with his overhead police lights on.
5. When Ofc. Aspacher approached the GMC truck, he commanded Dustin to stop. Dustin stated "talk to him in the office," and then entered his residence of 120 Bluegrass Lane.
6. Ofc. Aspacher made contact with Dustin's wife, Brandi, and she advised that she and her children were parked very close to their residence of 120 Bluegrass Lane.
7. Brandi stated that Dustin "thinks he is God," "has delusions of grandeur," and "was just released from the mental hospital."
8. Monroe Police Officers began calling out Dustin via the public address (PA) system and established a perimeter.
9. Dustin Booth exited the residence while under observation by officers, and Dustin was seen wearing a holster and firearm and then Dustin was observed re-entered the residence. While Dustin was in the residence, Butler County crisis center made contact with Dustin in an attempt to have him turn himself into the police.
10. A friend of Dustin Booth, Justin Duh, was able to talk Dustin into leaving the residence. Justin was driving the vehicle and Dustin was the only other occupant and the friend notified the police that Dustin did have a firearm with him in the vehicle.
11. On February 11, 2022, at approximately 2248 hours, marked units with the Monroe Police Department attempted to stop the vehicle on Lebanon Street at New Garver Road and the occupants in the vehicle were physically fighting.

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12. Dustin Booth exited the vehicle, did not comply with officers' commands, pulled a firearm from his person, and officers fired shots hitting Dustin.
13. Dustin Booth was transported to Atrium Medical Center where he was pronounced deceased.
14. Your affiant believes that the information and evidence that will be obtained from the search warrant is relevant to the officer involved critical incident.

Affiant further says that there **is** **is not** urgent necessity that the above premises be searched in the night time to prevent such contraband articles from being concealed or removed and unable to be found.

The Affiant hereby swears or affirms the contents of the foregoing affidavit are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief

/s/ Douglas A. Eveslage

Affiant's signature

Name: Douglas A. Eveslage

Title: Special Agent

Badge Number: 66

Law Enforcement Agency: Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Assigned Unit: Investigations

Agency E-mail Address: douglas.eveslage@ohioago.gov

Telephone Number for Judge to Respond: 513-748-4238

AFFIANT'S CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing affidavit was executed by me this 12th day of February, 2022 at 5:47 o'clock am. while under oath administered to me by Judge Keith Spaeth during the course of said telephone call/conference. The undersigned further certifies that the foregoing affidavit and proposed search warrant shall be immediately transmitted to Judge Keith Spaeth by email transmission.

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/s/ *Douglas A. Eveslage*

Affiant's signature

ATTESTATION OF JUDGE ADMINISTERING OATH

This affidavit was transmitted to the undersigned by reliable electronic means. Prior to its transmission, the affiant was placed under oath via telephone/teleconference communication between the affiant and the undersigned and during the course of said communication the affiant swore to and/or affirmed the contents of this affidavit the 12th day of February, 2022.

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Keith M. Spaeth
Judge



Judge's signature

Judge Keith M. Spaeth
Butler County Court of Common Please General Division
Printed name / Court

TIME OF DAY: 5:50am

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SEARCH WARRANT

STATE OF OHIO
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THE BUTLER COUNTY COURT

To Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation Special Agent Douglas Eveslage: Greetings
Whereas, Complaint on oath in writing supported by an affidavit has this day been made before a Judge of the **Butler County** Court, State of Ohio, which affidavit is hereto attached, being the affidavit appearing above, and is made part hereof.

These are therefore to command you in the name of the State of Ohio, with the necessary and proper assistance, to enter in the daytime or in the nighttime, into said premises being described as follows, to wit:

120 Bluegrass Lane, Monroe, Ohio 45050; described further as a single family ranch style residence with tan brick, an attached double car garage with a brown garage door, storm door and main entry door facing, West and the numerics "120" are black in color affixed vertically to the mailbox post in the front yard near the street.

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and there diligently search for certain goods and chattels or articles, to wit: firearms, weapons, ammunition, casings, fired projectiles, electronic storage devices, cell phones, computers, iPads, clothing, DNA, photographs, and paperwork and other contraband articles or things alleged in the affidavit hereto attached and made part hereof to be unlawfully possessed, and that you bring the same, or any part thereof, forthwith before a judge of the **Butler County** Court, State of Ohio, having cognizance thereof, to be disposed of and dealt with according to law.

Kurt J. Smith
Judge 

CERTIFICATION AND ORDER REGARDING ORIGINAL

I do hereby certify that the foregoing search warrant was executed by me this 12th day of February, 2022 and the search warrant and supporting affidavit shall be immediately transmitted to the requesting officer by email transmission. Upon receipt of the email the requesting officer is ordered to print on paper the search warrant and supporting affidavit, thereupon the printed, paper documents will be deemed to be the original affidavit and search warrant. Following execution of the search warrant the requesting officer is instructed to return the inventory to the Court during regular business hours and file with the Clerk of Courts the original affidavit, search warrant and inventory as provided by law.

So certified and ordered.

Kurt J. Smith
Judge 

Judge

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RETURN OF SEARCH WARRANT

Returned, this _____ day of _____,

Served by making search as within directed, upon which search I found

SEE ATTACHED OHIO BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION

INVENTORY/RECEIPT ATTACHMENT

Signature  STEVEN D. SEITZMAN, BCI

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this 14 day of February
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