

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



2024-3258

Officer Involved Critical Incident – 1273 Rosedale Drive, Dayton, OH (Montgomery Co.) (L)

Investigative Activity: Case Closing

Involves: Taylor Coleman Anthony Cotton (S),

Date of Activity: 08/08/2025

Activity Location: Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation – 1560 SR 56 SW, London,

OH 43140

Author: SA Steven Seitzman

Narrative:

On Thursday, August 7, 2025, the investigation regarding the officer-involved critical incident that transpired in Dayton, Ohio, on Saturday, October 19, 2024, was presented to the Montgomery County Grand Jury. The case was presented by Franklin County Assistant Prosecutors Jeffrey Zezech and Sheryl Prichard, who were appointed as special prosecutors to handle the matter. After deliberating on all of the evidence and facts presented to it by the prosecutor, the grand jury returned eight no true bills regarding the actions of the involved officers in relation to the death of Taylor Coleman Anthony Cotton.

All evidence in this case was returned to the appropriate agencies on Tuesday, August 12, 2025. Special Agent Steven Seitzman and Special Agent Supervisor Kevin Barbeau reviewed this investigation and discussed the documentation thereof. During this discussion, it was determined that the investigation was sufficiently pursued, and all investigative efforts and aspects of this case have been completed. No further assistance was requested by any of the involved agencies.

The documentation pertaining to the grand jury's decision is enclosed within this investigative report. Additionally, a letter from Mr. Zezech is attached, indicating the termination of his office's involvement in the matter. Please refer to those documents for further details.

Request case closure.

References:

No references.

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Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2024CR3390.1.JOHN DOE.NO TRUE BILL.ERK
Attachment # 03: 2024CR3390.2.JOHN DOE.NO TRUE BILL.ERK
Attachment # 04: 2024CR3390.3.JOHN DOE.NO TRUE BILL.ERK
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Attachment # 07: 2024CR3390.7.JOHN DOE.NO TRUE BILL.ERK
Attachment # 08: 2024CR3390.8.JOHN DOE.NO TRUE BILL.ERK
Attachment # 09: BCI outcome letter signed

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SHAYLA D. FAVOR

FRANKLIN COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

August 8, 2025

Steven Seitzman Special Agent Force Investigations Unit Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Re: BCI Case # 2024-3258

Sir,

On August 7, 2025, the Montgomery County Grand Jury convened and heard testimony in the matter of the Officer Involved Critical Incident that occurred on October 19, 2024 and resulted in the death of Taylor Coleman Anthony Cotton. After reviewing all applicable facts, the Grand Jury determined that no criminal charges were applicable and returned a notice of no indictment.

Two Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys from the Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney's Office were designated as Special Assistant Prosecuting Attorneys for the investigation into this incident. Following the Grand Jury's determination that no criminal charges are applicable in this situation, our office has closed our investigation into this matter. A copy of the notices of no indictment filed by the Montgomery County Grand Jury are enclosed for your records.

Thank you, and please feel free to contact me with any additional questions.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey L. Zezech

Senior Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney's Office