



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



2025-0513

Officer Involved Critical Incident -14000 OH-104
Chillicothe, OH 45601 (L)

Investigative Activity: Scene Processing (Scenes 1 & 2)
Involves: Daniel Long
Activity Date: 02/17/2025
Activity Location: Scene 1- Shooting Scene- 14000 St. Rt. 104
Chillicothe, OH 45601
Scene 2- Autopsy- 361 W. Third St. Dayton, OH 45402
Authoring Agent: Special Agent Brittney VanBibber #186

On February 17, 2025, the Ross County Sheriff's Office (RCSO) requested assistance from the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) reference an officer involved critical incident (OICI). It was reported that the RCSO was investigating a burglary and theft of a firearm when a deputy encountered a subject matching the description of the individual involved. The deputy discharged his firearm striking the subject later identified as Daniel Long (Long). Long was transported to Adena Medical Center where he was pronounced deceased. Special Agent (SA) Brittney VanBibber and Crime Scene Technician (CST) Amy Cruey, along with members of the BCI Special Investigations Unit (SIU) responded to assist. It was determined that the BCI Crime Scene Unit (CSU) would process the OICI scene, BCI SIU would lead the OICI investigation, and that RCSO would investigate the burglary and collect the items relevant to their investigation.



Image 1. Scene near the driveway to 14000 St. Rt. 104

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Scene 1

SA VanBibber arrived at 14000 St. Rt. 104, Chillicothe, OH at approximately 1937 hours. CST Cruvey initially responded to the Ross County Sheriff's Office to photograph the involved deputy and then responded to the scene. The scene was secured with crime scene tape, marked police cruisers, and RCSI personnel. SA VanBibber utilized a crime scene log to record access into the scene. The scene was documented through photography and a Leica 3D scanner.

The scene was observed to be in the grass near a pair of paved driveways leading to 14000 St. Rt. 104. Clothing, personal property items, and medical supplies littered the driveway in front of RCSI cruiser [REDACTED] which faced southeast. Prior to SA VanBibber's arrival RCSI had marked one item of evidence and the perimeter of the scene with orange traffic cones. These cones were captured in overall photographs. SA VanBibber utilized numbered placards to mark evidence.



Diagram 1. Approximate scene location

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Two WIN 9mm Luger cartridge casings were located on the ground near the driver door of RCSO [REDACTED] cruiser. The casings were collected as Items 3 and 4.

On the driveway in front of [REDACTED] cruiser was a box of Winchester 9mm Luger ammunition containing 43 cartridges (Item 5) and a credit card with the name "Jacob Staats" (Item 6). A camouflage jacket, multiple sweatshirts, a gray t-shirt all with suspected bullet holes, and a blue drawstring bag were collected as Item 7. Black gloves, loose change, \$1.00, keys, jewelry and other miscellaneous personal belongings were located within the clothing and collected as Item 7.1. A fired projectile was discovered on the ground under the clothing and collected as Item 8.

RCSO Captain Max Adair (Captain Adair) provided SA VanBibber with two firearms (Items 1 & 2) that were collected prior to BCI's arrival. Each firearm was in a separate paper bag.

Item 1 was described as Taurus G3c 9mm pistol with serial number ADL885316. The pistol was observed to be unloaded with the slide locked to the rear. There was no ammunition or magazines with the firearm at the time it was provided. Captain Adair advised this was the firearm that Long had been in possession of.

Item 2 was described as a Sig Sauer P320 9mm pistol with serial number [REDACTED]. The pistol was observed to be unloaded with the slide locked to the rear. The paper bag also contained a magazine loaded with 15 WIN 9mm Luger cartridges and an additional loose WIN 9mm Luger cartridge totaling 16 cartridges. Captain Adair advised this firearm belonged to [REDACTED].

RCSO Detective Heather Crosier (Det. Crosier) provided SA VanBibber with items she had collected from Long at Adena Medical Center. A pair of black pants, a pair of gray pants, and black shoes were collected as Item 9. Cigarette butts and miscellaneous jewelry were located within the clothing and collected as Item 9.1. A 9mm magazine containing 7 WIN 9mm Luger cartridges was labeled as Item 10.

No additional items of evidentiary value were located, and CSU personnel cleared the scene at approximately 2215 hours.

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Scene 2

On February 18, 2025, SA Aja Chung retrieved evidence from the autopsy of Long from the Montgomery County Coroner's Office. SA Chung transported the evidence to BCI headquarters where it was released it to SA VanBibber. The autopsy evidence included:

- Item 1- DNA Blood card
- Item 2- sealed envelope with fingerprints, sealed envelope with oral and rectal swabs, fingernail scrapings, pubic hair
- Item 3- two pairs of socks, underwear
- Item 4- silver colored ring, one earring

Disposition of Evidence

On February 18, 2025, SA VanBibber submitted the following items to BCI London Evidence Receiving at approximately 1452 hours for laboratory comparison:

Scene 1- Items 1-4, 8 and 10.

All remaining items from scenes 1 & 2 were placed into London Evidence Locker #1 at approximately 1525 hours to be submitted into the evidence vault.

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