

Ohio Attorney General's Office Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Investigative Report

2025-0854

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 645 Hazen Avenue, Ravenna, OH 44266, Portage County



Involves: Ravenna Police Department (O) Shawn Ware (S)

Activity Date: 04/28/2025
Activity Location: BCI - Richfield

Authoring Agent: SA Joseph Goudy

Narrative:

On Thursday, April 10, 2025, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Joseph Goudy (Goudy) received Ohio BCI Laboratory report(s) for items of evidence submitted on March 21, 2025, for scientific analysis (laboratory case number 25-32203). The report originated from the Firearms section of the laboratory and was authored by Forensic Scientist Monica Coblentz. The items relevant to this report which had previously been submitted were as follows:

Lab #	Matrix	Description	
	#		
1	001	Envelope containing one fired 9mm Luger cartridge case	
2	002	Envelope containing one fired 9mm Luger cartridge case	
3	003	Envelope containing one fired 9mm Luger cartridge case	
4	004	Envelope containing one fired bullet	
5	005	Envelope containing one fired 9mm Luger cartridge case	
6	006	Envelope containing one fired bullet	
7	007	Envelope containing one fired bullet	
8	009	Envelope containing one fired 9mm Luger cartridge case	
9	010	Envelope containing one fired 9mm Luger cartridge case	
10	011	Envelope containing one fired 9mm Luger cartridge case	
11	012	Envelope containing one fired 9mm Luger cartridge case	
12	014	Envelope containing one fired bullet	
13	016	Cardboard box containing firearm - Shadow Systems 9mm Luger	
		semi-automatic pistol, model XR920, serial #	
		magazines and forty-nine 9mm Lugar cartridges	
14	017	Cardboard box containing firearm - Shadow Systems 9mm Luger	
		semi-automatic pistol, model XR920, serial #	
		magazines and fifty-two 9mm Lugar cartridges.	

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15	024	Envelope containing one fired bullet
16	025	Envelope containing one fired bullet
17	026	Envelope containing one fired bullet

Findings

Item Description	Comparison	Conclusion
Item #13: Shadow	N/A	Operable
Systems Pistol (SN:	Items #8-10: Three (3) fired 9mm Luger cartridge cases	Source Identification
	Items #15-16: Two (2) fired bullets	Source Identification

Item Description	Comparison	Conclusion
Item #14: Shadow	N/A	Operable
Systems Pistol (SN:	Items #1-3, 5 & 11: Five (5) fired 9mm Luger cartridge cases	Source Identification
	Items #4, 6-7, 12 & 17: Five (5) fired bullets	Source Identification

Remarks

Two (2) submitted cartridges were used for testing each of items #13 & 14.

During examination, the magazines marked as "Mag A" for both items #13 & 14 were used for testing. There were no pertinent findings regarding the additional magazines submitted with items #13 & 14.

Apparent fibers were found on items #6 & 7. They were removed from the Items during examination and will be returned to the department with their respective items.

SA Goudy reviewed the laboratory report and noted the following:

Sergeant Coy's Shadow Systems Pistol (Matrix Item #13) fired three of the submitted 9mm cartridge cases (Matrix Evidence Items #8-10) and two fired projectiles (Matrix Evidence Items #24 and 25). The two fired projectiles were recovered from the autopsy of Shawn Ware.

Officer Wise's Shadow Systems Pistol (Matrix Item #14) fired five of the submitted 9mm cartridge casings (Matrix Evidence Items #1-3, 5 and 11) and fired five projectiles

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(Matrix Evidence Items #4, 6-7, 14, and 26). One of the projectiles, Matrix Evidence Item #26, was recovered from the autopsy of Shawn Ware.

A copy of the Ohio BCI Laboratory report is attached to this investigative report. Please refer to the attachment for further details.

References:

None

Attachments:

1. Lab Results - Firearms Analysis (25-32203)

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Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Laboratory Report

Firearms

To: BCI / Richfield

Joseph Goudy

4055 Highlander Parkway Richfield, OH 44286 BCI Laboratory Number: 25-32203

Analysis Date: Issue Date: March 26, 2025 April 07, 2025

Agency Case Number: 2025-0854 BCI Agent: Dan Boerner

Offense: Shooting Involving an Officer

Subject(s): Victim(s):

Submitted on 03/21/2025 by Betsy Turney

1. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix CSU 001)

- One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.

2. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix CSU 002)

- One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.

3. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix CSU 003)

- One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.

4. Envelope containing bullet (Matrix CSU 004)

- *One* (1) *fired bullet.*

5. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix CSU 005)

One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.

6. Envelope containing bullet (Matrix CSU 006)

One (1) fired bullet.

7. Envelope containing bullet (Matrix CSU 007)

One (1) fired bullet.

8. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix CSU 009)

- One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.

9. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix CSU 010)

One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.

10. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix CSU 011)

One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.

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- 11. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix CSU 012)
 - One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.
- 12. Envelope containing bullet (Matrix CSU 014)
 - One (1) fired bullet.
- 13. One cardboard box containing firearm (Matrix CSU 016) (Serial magazine and cartridges
 - One (1) Shadow Systems 9mm Luger semi-automatic pistol, model XR920, serial number three (3) magazines and forty-nine (49) 9mm Luger cartridges.
- 14. One cardboard box containing firearm (Matrix CSU 017) (Serial # magazines with cartridges
 - One (1) Shadow Systems 9mm Luger semi-automatic pistol, model XR920, serial number three (3) magazines and fifty-two (52) 9mm Luger cartridges.
- 15. Envelope containing bullet
 - One (1) fired bullet.
- 16. Envelope containing bullet
 - *One* (1) fired bullet.
- 17. Envelope containing bullet
 - One (1) fired bullet.

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All evidence will be returned to the submitting agency.

Analytical Detail

Analytical findings offered above were determined using visual, physical, and microscopic examinations / comparisons.

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Based on scientific analyses performed, this report contains opinions and interpretations by the analyst whose signature appears above. Examination documentation and any demonstrative data supporting laboratory conclusions are maintained by BCI and will be made available for review upon request. Results relate only to the items tested.

Your feedback is important to us! Please complete our Laboratory Satisfaction Survey at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Q9VQHL5

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Comparison Conclusion Scale

The following lists the conclusions a Forensic Scientist may reach when performing comparisons. In reaching a conclusion, a Forensic Scientist considers the similarities and dissimilarities and assesses the relative support of the observations under the following two propositions: the evidence originated from the same source or from a different source.

A Forensic Scientist may utilize their knowledge, training, and experience to evaluate how much support the observed similarities or dissimilarities provide for one conclusion over another. A conclusion shall not be communicated with absolute certainty. It is an interpretation of observations made by the Forensic Scientists and shall be expressed as an expert opinion.

1	Source Identification	The observations provide extremely strong support for the proposition that the evidence originated from the same source and the likelihood for the proposition that the evidence arose from a different source is so remote as to be considered a practical impossibility.
2	Support for Same Source	The observations provide more support for the proposition that the evidence originated from the same source rather than different sources; however, there is insufficient support for a Source Identification. The degree of support may range from limited to strong or similar descriptors of the degree of support. Any use of this conclusion shall include a statement of the factor(s) limiting a stronger conclusion.
3	Inconclusive	The observations do not provide a sufficient degree of support for one proposition over the other. Any use of this conclusion shall include a statement of the factor(s) limiting a stronger conclusion.
4	Support for Different Source	The observations provide more support for the proposition that the evidence originated from different sources rather than the same source; however, there is insufficient support for a Source Exclusion. The degree of support may range from limited to strong or similar descriptors of the degree of support. Any use of this conclusion shall include a statement of the factor(s) limiting a stronger conclusion.
5	Source Exclusion	The observations provide extremely strong support for the proposition that the evidence originated from a different source and the likelihood for the proposition that the evidence arose from the same source is so remote as to be considered a practical impossibility; or the evidence exhibits fundamentally different characteristics

We invite you to direct your questions to:
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Education

Bachelor's Degree in Forensic Biology with minors in Chemistry and Criminal Justice.
 December 2015. Ashland University. Ashland, Ohio.

Professional Experience-

- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Forensic Scientist. June 2022- Current.
- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Laboratory Technician II (NIBIN). October 2021- June 2022.
- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Laboratory Technician I. March 2021- October 2021.
- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Evidence Intake Technician. February 2020- March 2021.

Required Technical Training-

- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Firearms Training. 2022-2023.
- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Laboratory Technician II Training. 2021-2022.
- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Laboratory Technician I Training. 2021.
- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Evidence Intake Technician Training. 2020.

A complete CV can be made available upon request

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