



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



2024-3294

Officer Involved Critical Incident - Portage Bike Trail Near
North Freedom St., Ravenna, Ohio

Investigative Activity: Search Warrant Obtained, Executed, and Returned

Involves: BCI (O)

Activity Date: 10/22/2024

Activity Location: Homeless campsite located off the Portage Hike and Bike Trail between N. Freedom Street and Loomis Parkway, Ravenna, Ohio, within close proximity to G.P.S. coordinates 41,174329, -81.228433, and on the adjoining physical trail itself between N. Freedom Street and Loomis Parkway.

Authoring Agent: SA Nicholas Valente #139

Narrative:

Search Warrant Obtained:

On October 22, 2024, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Nick Valente (Valente) drafted a search warrant to search a homeless campsite located off the Portage Hike and Bike Trail between N. Freedom Street and Loomis Parkway, Ravenna, Ohio, within close proximity to G.P.S. coordinates 41,174329, -81.228433, and on the adjoining physical trail itself between N. Freedom Street and Loomis Parkway, for evidence related to the officer-involved shooting that occurred at or near that location earlier that day.

On October 22, 2024, SA Valente met with Portage County Municipal Court Judge Kevin Poland (Judge Poland). Judge Poland reviewed the search warrant and search warrant affidavit. On October 22, 2024, at approximately 1547 hours, Judge Poland signed/authorized the warrant.

Search Warrant Executed:

On October 22, 2024, at approximately 1550 hours, SA Valente executed/served the warrant by informing other BCI agents already located on scene the warrant had been signed by a judge. BCI Crime Scene Unit agents then began a search of the aforementioned area and collected evidence.

Search Warrant Returned:

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On November 6, 2024, at approximately 1301 hours, SA Valente met with Judge Poland again to return the warrant. Judge Poland reviewed and signed the search warrant return. November 6, 2024, at approximately 1315 hours, SA Valente filed the original search warrant, search warrant affidavit, search warrant inventory, search warrant return, motion to seal, and order to seal with the Portage County Municipal Clerk of Courts.

A copy of the search warrant documents, and search inventory are attached to this Investigative Report.

References:

None

Attachments:

1. Search Warrant - Scene

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