



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



2024-2614

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 1309 Yellowstone Road,  
Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44121

**Investigative Activity:** Laboratory Results-Firearms

**Involves:** Christian Thomas (S), [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**Activity Date:** 10/07/2024

**Activity Location:** BCI-Richfield

**Authoring Agent:** SA Cory Momchilov #64

**Narrative:**

On October 7, 2024, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Cory Momchilov (Momchilov) received the BCI Laboratory results for the previously submitted firearms. SA Momchilov reviewed the report and documented the following:

**Recovered Firearm (Glock Slide-SN: KNP943)**

Item Description	Comparison	Conclusion
Item #1: Unknown manufacturer frame and Glock 19 slide	N/A	Rendered Operable**
	Item #28: One (1) fired bullet	Inconclusive***
	Items #2 and 27: Two (2) fired 9mm Luger cartridge cases	Source Identification

A 9mm firearm (Crime Scene #1) was recovered on the north side of 1309 Yellowstone Road, near a screened in porch. The firearm did not contain an inserted magazine nor a cartridge in the chamber.



Crime Scene #1

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Basistic testing showed that two fired cartridge cases were fired from that firearm, Crime Scene #2 and Crime Scene #28. Crime Scene #2 was located near the firearm on the north side of 1309 Yellowstone Road, near a screened in porch. Crime Scene #28 was located on the floor inside of the garage of 1309 Yellowstone Road, near a man door.



Crime Scene #2



Crime Scene #28

██████████ (Colt M4 rifle-SN: ██████████)

Item Description	Comparison	Conclusion
Item #29: Colt M4 rifle (S/N ██████████)	N/A	Operable
	Items #7-22: Sixteen (16) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge cases	Source Identification

██████████ firearm was identified as a Colt M4 rifle bearing serial number ██████████. A total of 16 5.56x45mm fired cartridge cases recovered from the scene returned to ██████████ firearm. All the recovered fired cartridge cases were located at the southwest corner of 1305 Yellowstone Road, in a flower bed.

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Crime Scene #7-12



Crime Scene #13-22

(Glock 17-SN [REDACTED])

Item Description	Comparison	Conclusion
Item #30: Glock 17 Gen 5 pistol	N/A	Operable
	Item #28: One (1) fired bullet	Source Exclusion
	Items #3-6: Four (4) fired 9mm Luger cartridge cases	Source Identification

[REDACTED] firearm was identified as a Glock 17, 9mm pistol bearing serial number [REDACTED]. A total of 4 9mm fired cartridge cases recovered from the scene returned to [REDACTED] firearm. All the fired cartridge cases were located in the front yard 1309 Yellowstone Road.



Crime Scene #3-6

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[REDACTED] (Colt M4 rifle-SN: [REDACTED])

Item Description	Comparison	Conclusion
Item #31: Colt M4 rifle (S/N [REDACTED])	N/A	Operable
	Items #23-26: Four (4) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge cases	Source Identification

[REDACTED] firearm was identified as a Colt M4 rifle bearing serial number [REDACTED]. A total of 4 5.56x45mm fired cartridge cases recovered from the scene returned to [REDACTED] firearm. All the fired cartridge cases were located in the front yard between 1315 and 1521 Yellowstone Road.



Crime Scene #24-27

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The diagram below illustrates the positioning of the recovered fired cartridge cases in relation to 1309 Yellowstone Road.



 recovered cartridge	Recovered Firearm and cartridge case	 recovered cartridge cases	 recovered cartridge cases
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The firearm laboratory results are attached to this Investigative Report.

**References:**

None

**Attachments:**

**1. Laboratory Firearm Results**

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**Bureau of Criminal Investigation**

**Laboratory Report  
Firearms**

To: BCI / Richfield  
Nick Valente  
4055 Highlander Parkway  
Richfield, OH 44286

BCI Laboratory Number: 24-36634

Analysis Date: September 16, 2024

Issue Date: September 30, 2024

Agency Case Number: 2024-2614

BCI Agent: Dan Boerner

Offense: Shooting Involving an Officer

Subject(s):

Victim(s):

**Submitted on 09/11/2024 by Betsy Farris**

1. One cardboard box containing firearm (Serial #KNP943) recovered from the scene (Matrix #1)
  - *One (1) unknown manufacturer, model, caliber, and serial number frame, one (1) Glock 9mm Luger, model 19, serial number KNP943 slide, previously generated BCI test fires, and one (1) envelope containing, "pieces of firearm that fell off during function checking."\**
2. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #2)
  - *One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.*
3. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #3)
  - *One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.*
4. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #4)
  - *One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.*
5. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #5)
  - *One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.*
6. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #6)
  - *One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.*
7. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #7)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
8. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #8)

Please address inquiries to the office indicated, using the BCI case number.

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- *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 9. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #9)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 10. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #10)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 11. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #11)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 12. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #12)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 13. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #13)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 14. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #14)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 15. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #15)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 16. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #16)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 17. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #17)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 18. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #18)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 19. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #19)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 20. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #20)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 21. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #21)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 22. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #22)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 23. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #24)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 24. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #25)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 25. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #26)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 26. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #27)
  - *One (1) fired 5.56x45mm cartridge case.*
- 27. Envelope containing cartridge case (Matrix #28)
  - *One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case.*
- 28. Envelope containing bullet (Matrix #33)
  - *One (1) fired bullet.*
- 29. One cardboard box containing firearm (Serial # [REDACTED]) and magazine (Matrix #35)
  - *One (1) Colt 5.56x45mm semi-automatic rifle, model M4, serial number [REDACTED] one (1) magazine, and eleven (11) 5.56x45mm cartridges.*
- 30. One cardboard box containing firearm (Serial # [REDACTED]) with magazine (Matrix #36)

- One (1) Glock 9mm Luger semi-automatic pistol, model 17 Gen 5, serial number [REDACTED] one (1) magazine, and thirteen (13) 9mm Luger cartridges.
31. One cardboard box containing firearm (Serial # [REDACTED]) (Matrix #37)
- One (1) Colt 5.56x45mm semi-automatic rifle, model M4, serial number [REDACTED] one (1) magazine, and twenty-two (22) 5.56x45mm cartridges.

## Findings

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\*\*\*Similar class characteristics but insufficient corresponding individual characteristics to identify or exclude.

## Remarks

\*The frame from Item #1 appeared to be aftermarket as there was no make, model, caliber, or serial number present.

\*\*As received, heavy damage to the frame, trigger, trigger safety, and trigger guard was observed. Both the trigger and drop safeties were broken / ineffective. During examination of the frame a small piece broke off. The firearm was inoperable as received. A Glock 19 frame from the BCI reference collection was assembled to the Glock 19 slide submitted with Item #1 to generate test fires for microscopic comparison purposes. The firearm was thus rendered operable.

Four (4) BCI supplied cartridges were used to test Item #1. The previously generated BCI test fires and the envelope containing, "pieces of firearm that fell off during function checking" were not opened or examined.



Eight (8) submitted cartridges were used to test Item #29.

Two (2) submitted cartridges were used to test Item #30.

Six (6) submitted cartridges were used to test Item #31.

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.

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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

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**Statement of Qualifications**

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**Education**

- Bachelor of Science in Applied Science in Forensic Science. December 2021. Youngstown State University. Youngstown, OH.

**Professional Experience**

- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Forensic Scientist. September 2022 – present.
- Portage County Coroner's Office. Forensic Investigator. May 2022 – September 2022.
- Youngstown Police Department. Police/Crime Lab Intern. May 2021- July 2021.

**Required Technical Training**

- Smith & Wesson Armorer's Course. March 2024. Columbus, OH
- Hi-Point Firearms Factory Tour. October 2023. Mansfield, OH.
- Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, & Explosives. NIBIN Triage and Acquisition. April 2023.
- Glock Armorer's Course. November 2022. Avon, OH.
- Annual Midwest AFTE Firearm Training Seminar. October 2022. Indiana State Police Crime Laboratory.
- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Firearms training. September 2022 – January 2024.

*A complete CV can be made available upon request*

*Updated: 7/25/2024*