



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



2022-2813  
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 673 Slate Hollow Ct, Powell,  
OH 43065 (L)

**Investigative Activity:** Attempt to Locate/Contact  
**Involves:** Michael Hinton (W), Kelly Catherine Hinton (W)  
**Date of Activity:** 02/07/2023  
**Author:** SA Matthew Collins, #151

**Narrative:**

On February 7, 2023, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Matt Collins (SA Collins) received an email from Attorney Michael Cox, who was representing Mike and Kelly Hinton. Mr. Cox and SA Collins had previously been in contact. Whereas, SA Collins advised he wished to speak with Kelly and Mike Hinton as they were both present during the shooting incident involving Sean Hinton and a Delaware County Sheriff's deputy. Both Mike and Kelly were also present during the incident leading up to deputies arrival and it was believed they would be able to provide additional information related to the incident.

While SA Collins wished to speak with them both, through Mr. Cox they declined to be interviewed by SA Collins or investigators. This was relayed to SA Collins via email from Mr. Cox (attached to this report).

**Attachments:**

Attachment # 01: Email from Michael Cox\_Attorney

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## Matthew Collins

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**From:** Michael Cox <mcoxattorney@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 7, 2023 6:04 PM  
**To:** Matthew Collins  
**Subject:** Re: Sean Hinton/Delaware County

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Mr. Collins:

I have spoken to both Kelly and Mike Hinton regarding your request for an interview. In doing so I explained that you would like to interview them as part of your investigation, but that you had also indicated it was not necessary in order for you to conclude the process. Kelly losing her husband, and Mike losing his son, remains too raw for either of them to process at the moment. While they both want to cooperate with your efforts in every way possible, they simply cannot find the strength to discuss the incident at this point in time. There is really no way to tell when they will be ready. We greatly appreciate your understanding while the two of them continue to process their new reality.

Sincerely,

Michael T. Cox

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On Mon, Jan 30, 2023 at 11:51 AM Michael Cox <mcoxattorney@gmail.com> wrote:

Good Morning:

My office has been retained to assist the family in this matter. I wanted to reach out and let you know that any further correspondence should be directed to my office. Please reach out so that we can coordinate getting you anything needed in this matter.

Sincerely,

Michael T. Cox

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