



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



2026-1831

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 905 E. Warren St.,
Bucyrus, OH 44820, Crawford County

Investigative Activity: Search Warrant – TP Link Home Security
Involves: Paul Desmarais
Activity Date: 06/08/2026
Activity Location: BCI Bowling Green
Authoring Agent: SA David Hammond

Narrative:

Search Warrant Obtained

Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) David Hammond (SA Hammond) drafted a search warrant for the TP Link home security system, cloud-based data relative to the officer-involved critical incident which occurred on May 10, 2026. This security system was identified during the crime scene investigation. Early information indicated that Paul Desmarais was utilizing the security system to monitor the law enforcement response to the incident.

On Monday, June 08, 2026, SA Hammond met with Crawford County Court of Common Pleas Judge Sean Leuthold (Judge Leuthold). Judge Leuthold reviewed the search warrant and search warrant affidavit. On, June 8, 2026, at approximately 915 hours, Judge Leuthold signed / authorized the search warrant.

Search Warrant Executed

On Monday, June 08, 2026, at approximately 1104 hours, SA Hammond executed / served the aforementioned search warrant by emailing a copy of the search warrant to LE.Legal@tp-link.com. A copy of the email was uploaded to the Matrix system.

On Monday, June 8th, 2026, at approximately 1818 hours, SA Hammond received an acknowledgement receipt from TP Link that they had received the search warrant and would produce data to the extent it was in their possession. A copy of the email was uploaded to the Matrix system.

On 06/09/2026 at 13:11pm, SA Hammond received an email from TP-Link Systems Inc., Monique Miller, Paralegal (LE.legal@tp-link.com). She advised that there was no video or audio data associated with the accounts listed in the search warrant.

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Ms. Miller's email stated: *"We have searched all emails and the MAC address but were not able to find any accounts except this one whitewolf3452@yahoo.com. This account was registered on June 6, 2022, and was not bound to any devices."*

A copy of this email has been attached to this report.

During the search, the following items of potential evidence were seized:

None.

Search Warrant Returned

On June 10, 2026, SA Hammond filed the original search warrant, search warrant affidavit, inventory, and search warrant return with the Crawford County Clerk of Courts.

A copy of the search warrant documents and search inventory are attached to this investigative report.

References:

None

Attachments:

1. TP Link Search Warrant and Affidavit
2. Re Search Warrant for Account TP-Link Systems COPS#126
3. TP Link Search Warrant Return

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In the Matter of the Search of)
TP-Link Systems Inc., Attn:)
Legal Department, 10 Mauchly)
Irvine, CA 92618 for the)
subscriber records, still images)
and video recordings of Device)
Mac ID(s): 3C-6A-D2-3F-67-26,)
Serial Number: Y2520F2011731,)
for the time period of May 10, 2026)
at 12:00 AM EDT through May 11,)
2026, at 6:00 PM EDT)

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
CRAWFORD COUNTY, OHIO

No. _____

JUDGEMENT ENTRY

FILED CLERK'S OFFICE
2026 JUN -8 AM 9:19
JAHILLE MOORE
CRAWFORD COUNTY

This matter came on for consideration this **4th day of June, 2026**, on the Affidavit of **Special Agent David Hammond** of the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation, for a search warrant and the evidence, and it appears to the Court that there is probable cause that the following persons or things, to-wit:

Subscriber records, still images and video recordings kept by TP-Link Systems Inc., Attn: Legal Department, 10 Mauchly Irvine, CA 92618 (LE.Legal@tp-link.com) of Device Mac ID(s): 3C-6A-D2-3F-67-26, Serial Number: Y2520F2011731, with associated email addresses of unitedenergysolutions@hotmail.com, whitewolf3452@gmail.com, jenny692481@gmail.com, whitewolf3452@yahoo.com and/or jenny692481@hotmail.com for the time period of May 10, 2026, at 12:00 AM EDT through May 11, 2026 at 6:00 PM EDT.

are concealed or kept in:

TP-Link Systems Inc., Attn: Legal Department, 10 Mauchly Irvine, CA 92618 (LE.Legal@tp-link.com),

that the offense described in the Affidavit has been committed; that the premises and things to be searched are within the jurisdiction of this Court.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that a search warrant is issued accordingly, and that the Sheriff make return thereof not later than three (3) days from the issuance of said warrant.


Judge Sean Leuthold

STATE OF OHIO)
)
COUNTY OF CRAWFORD)

ss. AFFIDAVIT

FILED CLERK'S OFFICE
2026 JUN -8 AM 9:19
JANELLE MOORE
CRAWFORD COUNTY

This day, to wit: **June 4th, 2026**, came **Special Agent David Hammond** of the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation, after being duly sworn according to law, states the following:

1. Your affiant, Special Agent David Hammond (SA Hammond), is a member of the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI), Force Investigations Unit – North (FIU-North), and his training and experience include the following: approximately thirty-one years as a law enforcement officer; approximately seventeen years as a Special Agent with the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation Crime Scene Unit. The previous fourteen years were with the Lima Ohio Police Department, seven years of which he has been an Identification Officer with the department's Detective Bureau. SA Hammond has received training in various types of investigations, particularly officer-involved critical incident investigations, homicides, property crimes and general criminal investigations. SA Hammond received a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Tiffin University and an associate's degree in law enforcement from the Lima Technical College (currently Rhodes State College). During his career he investigated approximately two hundred and fifty homicides, in addition to numerous other felony investigations and officer-involved shootings. These investigations have resulted in numerous arrests and convictions in Federal, State and Local Jurisdictions.
2. On Sunday, May 10th, 2026, at approximately 10pm, Bucyrus Police Officers were dispatched to the area of 905 E. Warren Street in Bucyrus, Crawford County, Ohio to investigate a possible domestic violence incident.
3. Affiant was informed by the Bucyrus Police Department (BPD) that officers attempted to speak with the subject, Paul Desmarais (Desmarais) at his residence. [REDACTED] was the alleged victim of the domestic violence incident. Shortly after arriving, officers were confronted by Desmarais, who was wearing tactical gear including a bullet proof vest and helmet. He was armed with several weapons.
4. A stand-off ensued between Desmarais and the BPD. During the stand-off, SWAT teams from Crawford County, Richland County (ASORT) and the Ohio State Highway Patrol were deployed. Officers reported that during the stand-off, officers/negotiators attempted to peacefully negotiate Desmarais' surrender. Chemical irritant rounds were deployed.

5. Officers reported that Desmarais fired five (5) rounds at officers, positioned at the rear of the residence during the incident. Desmarais could be heard yelling at the officers that he had a hand-grenade in his possession and that he "will defend" his residence and the "government is tyrannical." The stand-off lasted for approximately twelve (12) hours.
6. Desmarais called 911 during the incident and wanted to speak with "President Trump or Andrew from Special Forces or someone from the CIA."
7. During the incident, a member of the ASORT tactical unit fired one round. Desmarais suffered a fatal gunshot wound to the head.
8. Ohio BCI Agents arrived on scene and learned the following information. A search of the home conducted by members of BCI's Crime Scene Unit located several weapons, fired cartridge casings, a ballistic vest, helmet and an inert hand grenade. Also located inside the scene, were home surveillance cameras and a cell phone believed to belong to Desmarais. The surveillance cameras were identified as a TP-Link Systems Inc., with a Device Mac ID(s) of 3C-6A-D2-3F-67-26 and Serial Number of Y2520F2011731.
9. Preliminary information gathered from family members indicated that Desmarais had been planning for this type of event for an extended period of time. Agents have learned that Desmarais used his cell phone to monitor, record or share video footage of the event via the TP-Link camera system (a cloud-based surveillance system that users access via a mobile application where they can view, save and share videos recorded by their surveillance system using their cellular device).
10. Based on the information contained in this affidavit, Affiant's training and experience as a law enforcement officer, participation in the investigation relative to this affidavit, conversations with participating law enforcement officers, corroborated facts and information supplied by reliable victims and witnesses and any oral testimony incorporated herein, it is Affiant's belief that subscriber records, still images and video recordings kept by **TP-Link Systems Inc., Attn: Legal Department, 10 Mauchly Irvine, CA 92618 (LE.Legal@tp-link.com)**, would be valuable in determining the behavior of Desmarais while inside the residence.

11. That based on the investigation, observation, and experience, this Affiant believes that the subscriber records, still images and video recordings kept by **TP-Link Systems Inc., Attn: Legal Department, 10 Mauchly Irvine, CA 92618 (LE.Legal@tp-link.com)**, contains evidence supportive of Ohio Revised Code §2903.11 Felonious Assault, § 2903.21 Aggravated Menacing and § 2919.25 Domestic Violence.
12. That search and seizure authorization is sought for the subscriber records, still images and video recordings kept by **TP-Link Systems Inc., Attn: Legal Department, 10 Mauchly Irvine, CA 92618 (LE.Legal@tp-link.com)** of Device Mac ID(s): 3C-6A-D2-3F-67-26, Serial Number: Y2520F2011731, with associated email addresses of unitedenergysolutions@hotmail.com, whitewolf3452@gmail.com, jenny692481@gmail.com, whitewolf3452@yahoo.com and/or jenny692481@hotmail.com for the time period of May 10, 2026, at 12:00 AM EDT through May 11, 2026 at 6:00 PM EDT.

AFFIANT FURTHER SAYETH NAUGHT.


AFFIANT

Sworn to and subscribed in my presence, this 4th day of June, 2026.


Judge Sean Leuthold

SEARCH WARRANT
Rev. Code, § 2933.23, .24, .25

FILED CLERK'S OFFICE
2025 JUN -8 AM 9:19
JANELLE FODRE
CRAWFORD COUNTY

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
CRAWFORD COUNTY, OHIO

The State of Ohio, Crawford County, ss.

To: **Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation Superintendent Bruce Pijanowski, Special Agent David Hammond #1120, any agents/forensic scientists of the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation, and any law enforcement officers as authorized, GREETINGS:**

Whereas there has been filed with me, an Affidavit, of which the following is a summary:

The State of Ohio, Crawford County, ss.

Before me, Honorable **Judge Sean Leuthold**, personally appeared **Special Agent David Hammond**, who being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that on or about the **4th**, day of **June, 2025**, at the County of Crawford, **TP-Link Systems Inc., Attn: Legal Department, 10 Mauchly Irvine, CA 92618 (LE.Legal@tp-link.com)**, there is now being kept, concealed, and possessed following records for which search authorization and seizure is sought, to-wit:

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knowing the same to be evidence in association with a violation of **§ 2903.11, Felonious Assault; § 2903.21 Aggravated Menacing and § 2919.25 Domestic Violence**, and that said complainant believes and has good cause to believe that said property, or some part thereof, is concealed or kept at **TP-Link Systems Inc., Attn: Legal Department, 10 Mauchly Irvine, CA 92618 (LE.Legal@tp-link.com)**

Complainant further avers the facts upon which such belief is based are the affidavit which is attached and incorporated herein.

These are therefore to command you in the name of the State of Ohio, with the necessary and proper assistance, to enter in the day time, there being urgent necessity into said property heretofore described, and there diligently search for the said goods and chattels, or articles of property listed by affiant and that you bring the same or any part thereof, found on such search of the aforesaid described property, forthwith before, me, or some other judge or magistrate of the county having cognizance thereof to be disposed of and dealt with according to law.



AFFIANT

Sworn to before me and subscribed in
my presence this 8th day of
June 2026.


JUDGE Sean Leuthold

From: LE Legal [LE.legal@tp-link.com]
To: David Hammond [David.Hammond@OhioAGO.gov], LE Legal [LE.legal@tp-link.com]
Subject: RE: Search Warrant for Account / TP-Link Systems COPS#126
Sent: Tue 6/9/2026 1:11 PM GMT-04:00
Importance: Normal

Hello,

Yes, it is fair to say there was no data other than the screenshot I sent you.

Best,

Monique Miller
Paralegal

TP-LINK SYSTEMS INC.
5 Peters Canyon Rd.
Irvine, CA 92606, USA

From: David Hammond <David.Hammond@OhioAGO.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2026 9:59 AM
To: LE Legal <LE.legal@tp-link.com>
Subject: RE: Search Warrant for Account / TP-Link Systems COPS#126

Thank you for the quick response. Is it fair to say that there was no data to be retrieved, just for clarification.

Thank you,



David M. Hammond
Senior Special Agent
Force Investigation Unit - North
Office of Ohio Attorney General Andy Wilson
Office number: 419-419-3606
Cell number: 419-494-5273
David.hammond@ohioago.gov

From: LE Legal <LE.legal@tp-link.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2026 12:51 PM
To: LE Legal <LE.legal@tp-link.com>; David Hammond <David.Hammond@OhioAGO.gov>
Subject: RE: Search Warrant for Account / TP-Link Systems COPS#126

You don't often get email from le.legal@tp-link.com. [Learn why this is important](#)

Dear Special Agent Hammond,

We have searched all emails and the MAC address but were not able to find any accounts except this one whitewolf3452@yahoo.com. This account was registered on June 6, 2022, and was not bound to any devices.

Best regards,

Monique Miller
Paralegal

TP-LINK SYSTEMS INC.
5 Peters Canyon Rd.
Irvine, CA 92606, USA

From: LE Legal <LE.legal@tp-link.com>
Sent: Monday, June 8, 2026 3:18 PM
To: David Hammond <David.Hammond@OhioAGO.gov>; LE Legal <LE.legal@tp-link.com>
Subject: RE: Search Warrant for Account / TP-Link Systems COPS#126

Dear Sr. Special Agent Hammond,

We acknowledge receipt of the search warrant issued by the Court of Common Pleas, Crawford County, Ohio, dated June 8, 2026. We are working to respond to the request cooperatively. Pursuant to this warrant, and to the extent such information is in our possession, we will produce the information in accordance with applicable legal requirements and our company's policies.

Monique Miller
Paralegal

TP-LINK SYSTEMS INC.
5 Peters Canyon Rd.
Irvine, CA 92606, USA

From: David Hammond <David.Hammond@OhioAGO.gov>
Sent: Monday, June 8, 2026 8:04 AM
To: LE Legal <LE.legal@tp-link.com>
Subject: Search Warrant for Account
Importance: High

You don't often get email from david.hammond@ohioago.gov. [Learn why this is important](#)

Greetings,

The Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation is currently investigating an Officer Involved Critical Incident that may have been captured by a TP Link home based security system with cloud storage. We are seeking to obtain any captured video & audio recordings from the account on May 10, 2025 at 12:00am through May 11, 2026 at 6:00pm EDT. Attached is a search warrant for the requested materials.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter,



David M. Hammond
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RETURN; RECEIPT; INVENTORY OF SEARCH WARRANT

State of Ohio
Crawford County ss.

I, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation Special Agent David Hammond, the person taking property hereunder, received the attached search warrant on the 8th day of June, 2026, and (check appropriate box):

☐ I am returning the Warrant without having executed the same.

☒ Ohio BCI executed it as follows: On the 8th day of June, 2026, Ohio BCI executed the search via email to: TP-Link Systems Inc., Attn: Legal Department, 10 Mauchly Irvine, CA 92618. LE.Legal@tp-link.com for video and audio records captured via cloud storage during an Officer Involved Shooting Incident being investigated by the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation, as described in the warrant. A copy of the warrant and journal entry was provided to TP-Link Systems Inc. via digital file.

___ at the premises/cell phone.

☐ at Crawford County Common Pleas

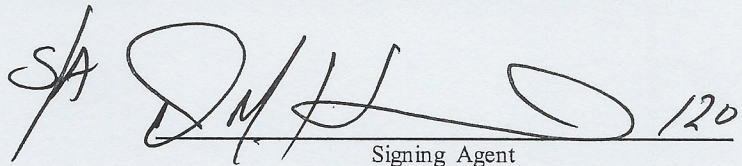
Furthermore (check appropriate box): ☐ no evidence was seized.

The following is an **INVENTORY** of property taken pursuant to the warrant prepared by Special Agent David Hammond and the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation:

Item No.	Quantity and description of property taken
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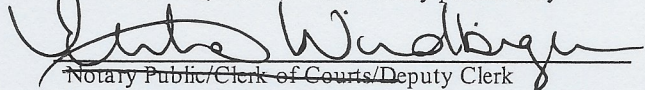
No data was present or available.

I swear this Inventory is a true and detailed account of all property taken by me on the Warrant; and a copy of this Inventory was deposited with the person or at the premises from which the property was taken as a Receipt of the items taken.

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Signing Agent

This 10th day of June, 2026

Sworn to before me, and subscribed in my presence by


Notary Public/Clerk of Courts/Deputy Clerk