



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



2023-0228

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 18697 Bagley Rd., Cleveland, OH
44130, Cuyahoga County

Investigative Activity: Receipt and Review of Records
Activity Date: February 16, 2023
Activity Location: BCI - Richfield
Authoring Agent: SA Matthew Armstrong #146

Narrative:

On January 30, 2023, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Matthew Armstrong (Armstrong) obtained Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission (OPOTC) records for Sergeant [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]). The records were downloaded from the online Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy (OPOTA) Portal.

On February 16, 2023, SA Armstrong reviewed the records and noted the following:

Basic Training

Sergeant [REDACTED] first completed the police academy in 2012, but did not obtain an appointment from a department to validate his certificate. He attended and completed the Academy a second time in class BAS14-090 at the Polaris Career Center Police Academy from 09/15/2014, through 04/14/2015. He received Certificate # [REDACTED] on 08/10/2015, and became appointed by the Southwest General Police Department.

Employment

Sergeant [REDACTED] has worked as a full-time officer for the Southwest General Police Department since 08/10/2015. He had no other employment on file.

Advanced Training

Sergeant [REDACTED] completed six OPOTC advanced law enforcement courses related to investigations and officer wellness. He completed the following course related directly to the use of force:

- 10/19/2017 – Understanding and Working with Difficult People
- 12/04/2017 – Subject Control Instructor

Attachments:

2023-01-30 OPOTA Records - [REDACTED]



Office of Ohio Attorney General
Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy
Officer Record



OPOTA London Campus
 1650 State Route 56 SW
 P.O. Box 309
 London, OH 43140
 Phone: 740-845-2700

██████████, Southwest General Police Department, ID: ██████████

Appointment History*

Agency	Employee Status	Start Date	End Date
Southwest General Police Department	Full-time	8/10/2015	

Basic Academy Records

School Number	School	Start Date	End Date	Exam Date	Certificate Number	Certificate Date	Appointed By	Appointed Date
PSA11-336	Polaris Career Center	9/22/2011	1/24/2012	2/23/2012	██████████	2/23/2012		
BAS14-090	Polaris Career Center Police Academy	9/15/2014	4/14/2015	5/21/2015	██████████	8/10/2015	Southwest General Police Department	8/10/2015

OPOTA Advanced Training Records**

Course Title	Start Date	End Date
Bulletproof Mind	8/24/2016	8/24/2016
Street Drugs: Recognition And Identification	9/8/2017	9/8/2017
Why Teens Kill/Generation Death	9/13/2017	9/13/2017
Understanding and Working with Difficult People	10/19/2017	10/19/2017
Subject Control Instructor	12/4/2017	12/15/2017
Legal Update	9/30/2019	9/30/2019

Canine Training Records

Canine Training Records

Canine School	Certificate Date	Canine Unit	Certificate Type	Specialty	Renewal Date
No Records Found					

*** The appointment records listed above reflect the appointment and separation information as reported to OPOTC pursuant to section 109.761 of the Revised Code. Neither OPOTC, nor it's staff, have independent knowledge of the information contained in these records. Please be advised that changes to an officers appointment history may require up to 5 business days after submission to be reflected accurately.**

****The advanced training records listed above reflect ONLY THOSE trainings the peace officer scheduled through OPOTA. Records reflecting advanced training conducted by the peace officer's agency, or conducted by another organization, are not maintained by OPOTC. Requests for any such records should be directed to the peace officer's employing agency or the organization who conducted the training.**