



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



2019-3029

Officer-Involved Critical Incident – Richland County Jail

Investigative Activity: Search Warrant
Involves: Alexander J. Rios (S), Montgomery County Coroner's Office (O)
Date of Activity: 06/25/2020
Activity Location: Montgomery County Coroner's Office – Business – 361 W. Third St, Dayton, OH 45402, Montgomery County
Author: SA Eric Lehnhart, #84

Narrative:

On Monday, June 8, 2020, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Eric Lehnhart obtained a court order that was signed by Richland County Court of Common Pleas Judge Brent Robinson. A service copy of the court order was provided to Montgomery County Coroner Kent E. Harshbarger, M.D. to produce the following information:

BCI&I Special Agent Eric Lehnhart obtain a copy of completed medical records of Alexander Jose' Rios (DOB 05-08-1991) from Montgomery County Coroner's Office, 361 West Third Street, Dayton, Ohio 45402 for dates of service September 30, 2019, to including, but not limited to, Preliminary autopsy and investigatory notes, detailed findings or observations written during the process of the autopsy, video and/or audio recordings made during the process of the autopsy, photographs of the decedent made during the process of the autopsy, laboratory reports and results generated from the analysis of physical and/or organic evidence by the coroner's laboratory or by another laboratory acting under the Richland County Coroner's direction or supervision, duplicate file that was provided to the Richland County Coroner's Office and this matter is sealed.

On June 8th and 9th, 2020, Special Agent Richard "Rick" Ward made unsuccessful attempts to serve the Montgomery County Coroner's Office with this order. It was the opinion of the Montgomery County Coroner's Office that they were not compelled to respond to a court order issued by a court outside of Montgomery County, Ohio.

On July 1, 2020, Special Agent Eric Lehnhart returned the court order to Judge Brent Robinson at the Richland County Court of Common Pleas. A copy of the court order, affidavit, and return was attached to this report. Please refer to those documents and/or the attachment for further details.

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Records Synopsis

Records were not provided by Montgomery County Coroner's Office.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01:2020-07-01 Rios Montgomery County Coroner Richland Court Order
Complete

