

Investigative Report

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Officer Involved Critical Incident - 500 West Hopocan, Barberton, OH 44203



Investigative Activity: Crime Scene Processing
Activity Date: Monday, December 26, 2022

Activity Location: 208 2nd St. Northwest, Barberton, Ohio 44230

Authoring Agent: SA Dan Boerner #135

SUMMARY:

On Monday, December 26, 2022, BCI Special Agent(s) Dan Boerner and Larry Hootman assisted Detective Sergeant Ben Knorr and the Barberton Police Department with the processing of an outdoor crime scene located at 208 2nd St. Northwest, Barberton, Ohio 44203 (Sitting Pretty Beauty Boutique) in regard to an officer-involved critical incident. The scene was photographed as it was found and evidence was collected. The scene was further documented using a FARO Focus laser scanner.

DETAILS:

On Monday, December 26, 2022, at 0930hrs, SA Boerner was contacted by SAS Ed Lulla and was requested to assist Detective Sergeant Ben Knorr and the Barberton Police Department with the processing of an outdoor crime scene located in the area of 500 W. Hopocan Ave., Barberton, Ohio 44230 (YMCA) in regard to an officer-involved critical incident.

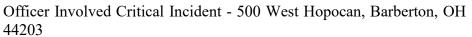
On Monday, December 26, 2022, at approximately 1120hrs, SA Boerner arrived on scene and met with SA Larry Hootman. According to investigators, officers of the Barberton Police Department were dispatched to the area of 500 W. Hopocan Ave. for a report of attempted robbery. Officers subsequently located a male matching the description of the subject (ID to be Zachary D. Zoran, W/M, 34yoa) in the parking lot of 208 2nd St. Northwest (Sitting Pretty Beauty Boutique). Investigators reported that while interacting with Zoran, Zoran reportedly brandished a knife, that at least one officer discharged their duty weapon (ID to be Officer and that Zoran was subsequently transported to the hospital by fire/EMS and that Zoran died as a result of his injuries.

The scene was photographed and examined for items of suspected evidence. Several items of suspected evidence were observed, documented and collected (Table 1, Items of Suspected Evidence) (Figures 1-15, Items of suspected evidence).



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Item #	Description	Location
1	Black folding knife	Parking lot
2	Blue backpack with misc. items	Parking lot
3	Cellphone – Samsung	Parking lot
4	Misc. personal effects - \$95.00, SSN card	Parking lot
5	Pair of black gloves	Parking lot
6	Cartridge case – 45 cal.	Parking lot
7	Aldi bag with misc. items	Parking lot
8	Misc. personal effects – debit cards, Ohio IDs	Det. Sgt. Ben Knorr
9	Firearm – a black Smith & Wesson, M&P 45, SN:	SAS Jon Lieber
	1 cartridge from chamber, 1 mag with	
	9 cartridges and two mags with 10 cartridges each	
	(Ofc.	
10	Taser – X26, SN: with 1 undeployed	SAS Jon Lieber
	cartridge (Ofc.	
11	Misc. clothing – Zachary Zoran	SA Charlie Snyder

Table 1, Items of Suspected Evidence



Figure 1, Items of suspected evidence



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Figure 2, Items of suspected evidence

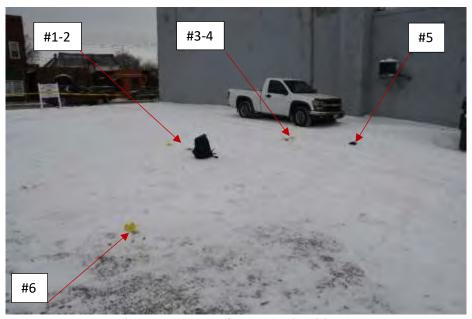


Figure 3, Items of suspected evidence



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Figure 4, Items of suspected evidence



Figure 5, Item 1



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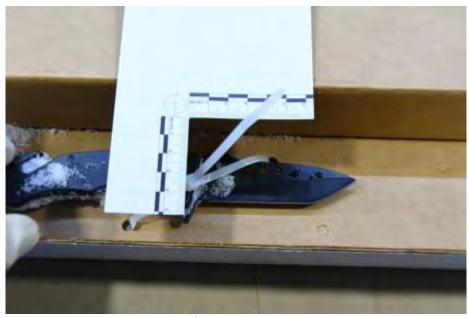


Figure 6, Item 1



Figure 7, Item 2



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Figure 8, Items 3-4



Figure 9, Item 4



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Figure 10, Item 5



Figure 11, Item 6



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Figure 12, Item 7



Figure 13, Item 8



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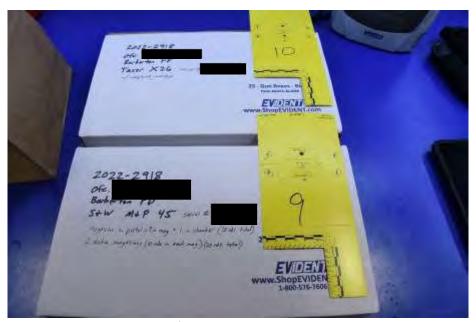


Figure 14, Items 9-10

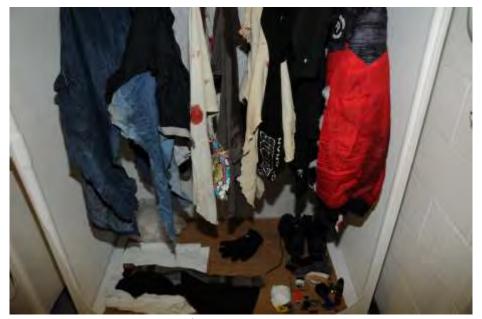


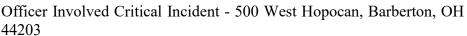
Figure 15, Item 11

The scene was further documented using a FARO Focus laser scanner. Using the scan data, panoramas and an overhead diagram will be created and provided to investigators.



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All items of evidence were transported to the BCI Richfield Office (4055 Highlander Parkway, Richfield, Ohio 44286) and placed into temporary evidence locker #10, with the exception of Item 11 (Misc. clothing – Zachary Zoran, received from Akron General Hospital). Item 11 was placed in the drying room. An Inventory / Receipt Attachment form was filled out and signed by SA Boerner. A copy of the form was uploaded into Matrix.

The photographs are to be uploaded into Matrix. A copy of the FARO Focus S70 scanner data (SCENE 2go) is to be placed on in the "BCI Scanner" folder on the shared directory and distributed to the investigators.

A copy of this report should be sent to:

Ohio BCI – Richfield Office

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