



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: Robert Ball (O), Richland County Coroner's Office (O)
Date of Activity: 06/25/2020
Activity Location: Richland County Coroner's Office – Business – 597 Park Avenue East, Mansfield, OH 44905, Richland County
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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 Richland County Coroner Daniel Burwell, D.O. at his private practice office located at 558 South Trimble Road, Mansfield, Ohio 44906 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 Richland County Coroner's Office, 597 Park Avenue East, Mansfield, Ohio 44905 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 and (2) this matter is sealed.

On June 10, 2020, prior to compliance, Special Agent Eric Lehnhart communicated with Richland County Coroner's Investigator Robert "Bob" Ball and advised him that the records sought in the court order were obtained through different channels. Investigator Ball was advised that the Richland County Coroner's Office was already in compliance with the served order.

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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Attachments:

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

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