



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



2022-1090

Officer-Involved Critical Incident - Cora Baughman

Investigative Activity: Document Review; Records Received – Firearm Trace Reports

Activity Date: 5/14/2022

Activity Location: 8643 Werger Rd., Garrettsville, Ohio

Authoring Agent: Arvin E. Clar #127

Narrative:

On Thursday, July 07, 2022, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Arvin Clar (Clar) received a "Firearms Trace Summary" report from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF). The report contained information about the firearm that Cora Baughman possessed during the incident on May 14, 2022. The report provided details about the Charter Arms, model Off Duty, serial number 983960, firearm; including that it was purchased by William G. Sebastian (Sebastian) on May 27, 1987.

Additionally, an FBI National Crime Information Center (NCIC) check of the weapon was conducted by the BCI Criminal Intelligence Unit to determine if the weapon was reported as being stolen. According to the report, [REDACTED]

On August 15, 2022, SA Clar conducted a telephone interview with Sebastian (216-535-8194). (The interview was not recorded.)

Sebastian informed SA Clar that he [Sebastian] did purchase the firearm as his "back up" weapon for his security position. Sebastian then sold the firearm to his friend, John Malzen, in 1989 or 1990. Sebastian also advised SA Clar that John Malzen is now deceased.

Sebastian was going to attempt to locate possible family members of John Malzen for additional details of the additional ownership of the firearm.

The ATF report was attached to this report. Please refer to the attachment for further details.

