



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



2026-0240
Officer Involved Critical Incident - 4800 Duvall Rd., Lot
303, Ashville, OH 43103 (L)

Investigative Activity: Case Closing
Involves: Chase Dalton, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Activity Date: 05/07/2026
Authoring Agent: SA Joshua Welty, # 173

Narrative:

On [REDACTED], the investigation regarding the officer-involved critical incident that occurred in Pickaway County, Ohio, on January 20, 2026, was presented to a Grand Jury in the Pickaway County Court of Common Pleas by the Pickaway County Prosecutor's Office. The Grand Jury declined to file criminal charges regarding the actions of [REDACTED] (Ashville P.D.), [REDACTED] (Ashville P.D.), [REDACTED] (Pickaway County Sheriff's Office), and [REDACTED] (South Bloomfield Police Department) relating to the death of Chase Alecander Dalton.

All evidence in this case has been returned to the requesting agency. Special Agent Welty and Special Agent Supervisor Kevin Barbeau reviewed this investigation and discussed the documentation. During this discussion, it was determined that the investigation was sufficiently pursued and all investigative efforts and aspects of this case have been completed. Special agent assistance is no longer required by the requesting agency.

The document received from the Pickaway County Prosecutor's Office is attached to this report. Please refer to the document for further information.

This case is closed.

References:

No references

Attachments:

Attachment # 1: Prosecutor Letter - 4800 Duvall Road OICI

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RE: 4800 Duvall Road, Lot 303 - Officer Involved Critical Incident

Dear Sheriff Hafey, Acting Chief Hempstead, and Chief Maynard:

Please be advised that on [REDACTED] the Pickaway County Grand Jury was presented with the Bureau of Criminal Investigation's inquiry into the Officer Involved Critical Incident that occurred at 4800 Duvall Road, Lot 303 on January 20, 2026. After review, the grand jury concluded that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were justified in using deadly force and that no charges should be filed against them. Please advise your officers of the same. The Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation will be closing the investigation on their end as well.

Respectfully,


Jayme Hartley Fountain
Pickaway County Prosecutor

CC via email: Special Agent Joshua Welty, BCI