

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



## 2024-1433

Officer-Involved Critical Incident- Officer Involved Critical Incident -4802 James Road, North Ridgeville, Ohio

Investigative Activity:	Interview with Officer
Involves:	Officer Ian Wilkshire #42
Activity Date:	5/8/2024
Activity Location:	4802 James Road North Ridgeville Ohio 4039
Authoring Agent:	Special Agent William Conn #51

## Narrative:

On Wednesday, May 08, 2024, at 2200 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) William Conn #51 interviewed North Ridgeville (PD) Officer (Ofc.) Ian (Wilkshire). The interview took place at 4802 James Road, North Ridgeville Ohio.

Wilkshire was identified as being a police officer who witnessed and/or had some level of involvement in the May 8, 2024 officer-involved shooting, which occurred in the area of 4802 James Road, North Ridgeville, Ohio. Reportedly, Wilkshire did not discharge a firearm during the incident. The purpose of the interview was to obtain all relevant information of the incident known or observed by this officer.

During the incident, Wilkshire wore his standard police uniform with a metal police badge affixed to it. He also wore an external ballistic vest and duty belt. He drove a North Ridgeville Police Department (NRPD) vehicle, marked with NRPD emblems and emergency lights. He considered himself to be well-represented as a police officer during the incident. He stated he was not under the influence of any substance that would impair his memory or judgment during the incident or during the interview with BCI.

Officer Wilkshire stated he was dispatched to the area of 4802 James Road, North Ridgeville, Ohio on a possible wanted male in the residence at the stated location. Upon arrival, Officer Wilkshire stated he took up a cover position in the backyard of the residence at 4801 Ronald Drive which is directly north of the OIC scene at the southeast corner of the rear garage. Officer Wilkshire further states as he took up position, he saw the subject exit the residence and walk southbound in the driveway. He then heard fellow officers yelling "get on the ground", at which time he saw the subject in the driveway point a handgun in an easterly direction. Officer Wilkshire further states at that time he heard shots being fired. Officer Wilkshire maintained his cover position until directed by a senior officer to conduct a protective sweep of the residence, at which time, he saw the subject lying in the driveway and fellow officers administering first aid. Officer Wilkshire could add nothing further of relevance.



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The interview concluded at approximately 2220 hours.