



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



2023-0557

Officer Involved Critical Incident – 2900 Towne Boulevard,  
Middletown, OH 45044 (L)

**Investigative Activity:** Search Warrant  
**Involves:** Victor L. Lykins (S), Middletown Police Department (O)  
**Date of Activity:** 02/25/2023  
**Activity Location:** Walmart – 2900 Towne Blvd, Middletown, OH 45044, Butler County  
**Author:** SA Douglas Eveslage, #66

**Narrative:**

On February 25, 2023, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was called to investigate an Officer Involved Critical Incident involving the Middletown Police Department and Victor Lykins which occurred at Wal-Mart, 2900 Towne Boulevard, Middletown, Warren County, Ohio. Middletown police officers attempted to arrest Victor Lykins on several active warrants and a physical fight ensued over a handgun Lykins possessed. Lykins was shot twice by police during the altercation and Lykins was pronounced deceased on scene.

Special Agent Doug Eveslage authored a search warrant for the 2008 silver Jeep Commander with Ohio registration JVA2156 involved in the traffic stop by the Middletown Police Department which led to the Officer-Involved Critical Incident in the lot of the Wal-Mart.

At approximately 1932 hours, SA Eveslage emailed the search warrant to Warren County Common Pleas Judge Donald E. Oda II. Judge Oda reviewed the warrant, called SA Eveslage to have him swear on oath to the facts contained in the warrant, and then Judge Oda emailed a signed copy authorizing the execution of the search warrant on the 2008 silver Jeep Commander. After the search warrant was complete, the Middletown Police Department towed the 2008 Jeep Commander to a secure building to maintain the vehicle as evidence.

On February 26, 2023, SA Eveslage went with Middletown Police Sergeant Ahmed to the secure building and left a copy of the search warrant, return and inventory in the vehicle (See attachment #01).

On March 9, 2023, SA Eveslage met Warren County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Steven T. Knippen to sign the motion and order to seal the search warrant. SA Eveslage then met Warren County Common Pleas Judge Timothy Tepe to return the warrant and then filed the sealed warrant with Clerk of Courts (See attachment #02).

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**Attachments:**

Attachment # 01: Warrant left in vehicle

Attachment # 02: 2023-03-09 Sealed-Filed SW 2008 Jeep

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# **Exhibit 1**



## **Exhibit 2**

















