



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



2022-0727  
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 914 Salt Springs Road,  
Youngstown, Ohio 44509

**Investigative Activity:** Search, Search Warrant  
**Involves:** James J Sheets (S)  
**Date of Activity:** 04/28/2022  
**Author:** SA John P. Tingley, #154

**Narrative:**

**Search Warrant Obtained**

Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) John Tingley (Tingley) drafted a search warrant for the cell phone records of James Sheets, relative to the officer-involved critical incident which occurred on Friday, April 1, 2022.

On Thursday, April 28, 2022, SA Tingley met with Summit County Court of Common Pleas Judge McLaughlin in Judge McLaughlin's chambers. Judge McLaughlin reviewed the search warrant, search warrant affidavit, motion to seal (search warrant, affidavit, inventory and the listed motion) and order to seal (search warrant, affidavit, inventory and the listed motion). Accordingly, at approximately 0945 hours, Judge McLaughlin signed the search warrant and the order to seal.

**Search Warrant Executed**

On Thursday, April 28, 2022, at approximately 1155 hours, SA Tingley executed/served the aforementioned search warrant by submitting the phone described in the search warrant to the BCI Richfield Cyber Crimes Unit.

During the search, the following items of potential evidence were seized:

- See inventory that is attached to this report.

**Search Warrant Returned**

On Friday, July 8, 2022, SA Tingley met with Summit County Court of Common Pleas Judge Kelly McLaughlin (McLaughlin). Judge McLaughlin reviewed and signed the search warrant return. On July 8, 2022, SA Tingley filed the search warrant return and inventory with the

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Summit County Clerk of Courts.

A copy of the search warrant documents and search inventory are attached to this Investigative Report.

**Attachments:**

Attachment # 01: 2022-0727 CELL PHONE SW SW AFFIDAVIT ORDER TO SEAL APP TO SEAL

Attachment # 02: 2022-0727 SW RETURN & INVENTORY

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