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Kenneth Smith
Special Agent
Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigations

Investigator

Stephen "Harv" Payne

Re: Ricky W. Shiffer

Dear SA Smith:

Victim Advocates

Kim Stratemeyer

Shannon Achtermann

The Clinton County Prosecutor's Office has performed a review of the full Ohio BCI investigative report, including witness statement, photos and videos relating to the August 11, 2022 officer shooting death of Ricky W. Shiffer. It is the opinion of the undersigned that Mr. Shiffer's actions presented an imminent risk of death or serious bodily harm to law enforcement officers and the public and the officers use of lethal force was therefore legally justified. This office is declining any further action.

Administrative Assistant

Hannah Hazelbaker

Your work is appreciated. Please feel free to contact me with any further questions or concerns.


Chief Deputy Prosecutor

Katie L. Wilkin

Sincerely

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