



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



2025-3709
Officer Involved Critical Incident - 4175 Brush Creek Rd.,
Manchester, OH 45144 (L)

Investigative Activity: Family Member Interview
Involves: Carl H. Lindner, III
Activity Date: 12/05/2025
Activity Location: Interview Conducted via Zoom
Authoring Agent: SA Chad Holcomb, #61

Narrative:

On Friday, December 05, 2025, at 1033 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Chad Holcomb (SA Holcomb) and SA Josh Welty (SA Welty) interviewed Carl H. Lindner, III (Carl), relative to the officer-involved critical incident which took place on Friday, November 14, 2025. The interview took place via Zoom. Also present during the interview was the Lindner's family attorney, Scott Crowell. Carl is the father of the subject, Christopher Lindner (Christopher). The purpose of the interview was to obtain all relevant information about the incident known or observed by this individual.

SA Holcomb asked Carl to speak about Christopher's mental health issues. Carl stated that over the last ten years or so, Christopher started to have some mental health issues related to alcoholism and paranoia around the use of marijuana. Carl stated that Christopher had a strong stretch of sobriety; however, this past fall (2025) the family started to notice a difference in his mental health issues.

Christopher did receive treatment multiple times prior along with marital counseling with his wife.

Carl attempted to give Christopher all the help that he needed. Over the past two months, Carl attempted to get Christopher to the Lindner Center of Hope for treatment; Christopher would not go voluntary.

Carl continued to state that over the past three to four weeks, Christopher continued to 'spiral.' Carl said that Christopher was talking to people who, "... clearly didn't exist."

Carl was made aware of the situation on November 14, 2025, by his son, Carl Lindner, IV (Carl IV). Carl IV told his father that there was a police chase, and he thought Christopher might end up at the lodge.

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Carl mentioned that he talked to Christopher briefly two times for about ten seconds each time on the day of the incident. Carl said, "It wasn't my son," and "... he had departed from reality. He was talking to people that didn't exist. Really, didn't, I'm not sure he even knew who I was." Carl pleaded with Christopher to drop any weapons that he had and to surrender himself. Christopher ultimately hung up on both phone calls from his father.

The interview concluded at approximately 1039 hours.

The interview was audio recorded. The recording is attached to this report. Please see the attachment for further details.

References:

No references.

Attachments:

Attachment #01: 2025-12-05 - Carl Lindner, III Zoom Interview (2025-3709)

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