



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



2022-0727

Officer-Involved Critical Incident – 914 Salt Spring Road, Youngstown,
Ohio 44509

Investigative Activity: Case Opening
Activity Date: April 11, 2022
Activity Location: BCI Youngstown Office
Authoring Agent: Special Agent Al Banský #115

Narrative:

On April 1, 2022, at approximately 1800 hours, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was requested by Youngstown Police Department to conduct an independent investigation of the facts and circumstances surrounding an officer-involved shooting which occurred in the area of 914 Salt Spring Road, Youngstown, Ohio. BCI Special Agent (SA) Al Banský (Banský) responded to assist, arriving at approximately 1900 hours. Also responding from BCI Special Investigations Unit were Special Agents Eric Lehnhart, Jack Shea, John Tingley and Special Agent Supervisor, David Posten. Additionally, the BCI Crime Scene Unit was requested to process the scene by documenting and collecting pertinent evidence.

The shooting incident involved a subject, James John Sheets (Sheets), and members of the Struthers Police Department. The incident resulted in the death of Sheets. Mahoning County Coroner's Investigator Kelsey Simon was on scene, and next of kin and the Mahoning County Prosecutor was notified by SA Banský.

A copy of the request for assistance letter is attached to this Investigative Report.



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Monday, April 04, 2022

To B.C.I.,

This letter is being written to formalize that the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation was requested on April 1st, 2022 in the matter of an officer-involved-shooting which occurred within the city limits of Youngstown, Ohio.

This incident occurred near the intersection of Salt Springs Road & Steel Street in Youngstown, OH and involved the City of Struthers Police Department.

The Youngstown Police Department acknowledges that Ohio B.C.I. now has jurisdiction over the investigation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Carl Davis", written over a horizontal line.

Carl Davis
Chief of Police