

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



2024–1814 Officer Involved Critical Incident – 8401 South Dixie Highway, Rudolph, Ohio 43462

Investigative Activity:	Information Provided/Obtained
Involves:	Deputy Samuel M Miller (S), Christopher Reynolds (W), Michael Shaffer (W)
Date of Activity:	06/16/2024
Activity Location:	Taylor, George Eric – Home – 8401 South Dixie Highway, Rudolph, OH 43462
Author:	SA Joshua S. Rammel, #175

Narrative:

On June 16, 2024, Special Agent (SA) Josh Rammel (Rammel) met with Lieutenant Rod Smith (Smith) of the Wood County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) while at the scene of an Officer Involved Critical Incident (OICI) involving the WCSO and deceased individual George Eric Taylor (Eric).

The OICI took place at Eric's residence located at 8401 South Dixie Highway, Rudolph, Ohio.

Smith provided SA Rammel the names of all three WCSO Deputies involved with the OICI. They were identified as Deputy Samuel Smith (Sam), Deputy Michael Shaffer (Shaffer), and Sergeant Chris Reynolds (Reynolds).

Smith informed SA Rammel that only Sam fired his weapon during the incident, and that his firearm was taken into custody by SA Megan Roberts (Roberts).

Sam was transported to the Wood County Hospital for evaluation.

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