



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



2023-2210

Officer Involved Critical Incident - [REDACTED] Howland  
Township, OH 44484 Trumbull County

Investigative Activity: Laboratory Submissions  
Activity Date: August 25, 2023  
Authoring Agent: Special Agent Cory Momchilov #64

On August 25, 2023, Special Agent Cory Momchilov submitted the following items to the Ohio BCI Laboratory for analysis:

- **Item 1:** Fired Projectiles (2) copper jacket fragments found at passenger rear of SWAT vehicle in front yard-CS#1
- **Item 2:** Fired Cartridge Casings (6) Hornady 5.56 cartridge cases located on back porch-CS#2
- **Item 3:** Fired Cartridges (2) Hornady 5.56 Cartridge cases- located on kitchen floor-CS#3  
\*\*\* The crime scene unit originally packaged a total of (4) items as CS# 3. (2) Hornady 5.56 Cartridge cases and (2) Speer 9mm Cartridge Cases-located on kitchen floor-CS#3. The (2) Speer 9mm Cartridge Cases were removed and repackaged as Matrix Evidence Item 28 for lab submission purposes and were submitted as Lab **Item 14**.
- **Item 4:** Fired Cartridge Casing- (1) Hornady 5.56 Cartridge Case found on stove-CS#4
- **Item 5:** Fired Cartridge Casings (4) Speer 9mm, located on kitchen floor at doorway-CS#5
- **Item 6:** Fired Cartridge Casing-Speer 9mm Cartridge Case on Kitchen Floor at doorway-CS#6
- **Item 7:** Shotgun, SN:AY578110, 12 Gauge, H&R Single shot Shotgun-located on dining room floor-found empty, CS#7
- **Item 8:** Fired Shot Shell, located on living room floor-CS#9
- **Item 9:** Fired Cartridge Casing, Speer 9mm, located on wastebasket in kitchen-CS#11
- **Item 10:** Fired Cartridge Casings, (3) Speer 9mm located on kitchen floor under door-CS#12
- **Item 11:** Sig Sauer P320, SN: [REDACTED] 9mm-(1) 9mm cartridge from chamber, 1 magazine (12) 9mm cartridges, (2) magazines with (17) 9mm cartridges each-belonging to Officer [REDACTED] CS#18
- **Item 12:** Glock 17 Handgun. SN: [REDACTED] (1) 9mm cartridge from chamber, (1) magazine with (9) 9mm cartridges, (1) magazine with (17) 9mm cartridges-belonging to Officer [REDACTED] CS#19

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- **Item 13:** Colt M16A1, SN: ██████████ 5.56, (1) 5.56 cartridge in chamber, (1) Magazine containing (16) 5.56 cartridges-belonging to Sergeant ██████████ CS#21
- **Item 14:** Fired Cartridges (2) Speer 9mm Cartridge Cases-located on kitchen floor-CS#3

On September 5, 2023 Special Agent Cory Momchilov submitted the following items to the Ohio BCI Laboratory for analysis:

These items were obtained from the autopsy of Randall Fife.

- **Item 15:** Projectile removed from ██████████ of Randall Fife
- **Item 16:** Projectile bullet removed from ██████████ of Randall Fife
- **Item 17:** Projectile removed from ██████████ of Randall Fife
- **Item 18:** Blood Stain Card-DNA standard for Randall Fife

On August 30, 2023 Special Agent Cory Momchilov submitted the following items to the Ohio BCI Cyber Crimes Unit for analysis:

- Cellular iPhone, located on living room floor near sofa-CS#10

A search warrant was previously obtained for the cellular phone prior to submission.

The following items are attached to this Investigative Report:

**Attachments**

Ohio BCI Laboratory Submission 1  
Ohio BCI Laboratory Submission 2  
Ohio BCI Cyber Crimes Submission



<b>Laboratory Evidence Submission</b>				Date/Time Received: 08/25/2023 1:15 pm Friday		BCI Case Number: <b>23-37351</b>	
Received By: <b>Kylie Manko</b>				Agency Case Number: 2023-2210			
New Case <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		ADD'L (If checked, provide BCI Case No)		Location of Offense: [REDACTED] Howland Township, Ohio		County of Submitting Agency: Trumbull County	
Case Type: Shooting Involving an Officer		Date of Offense: 08/25/2023		BCI #		Race	
Subject(s): (First Name)		MI		Last Name		Sex	
Victim(s): (First Name)		MI		Last Name		DOB	
Submitting Agency Name/ORI: Ohio Attorney General's Office OHBCI0000				Investigating Officer Name: S/A Cory Momchilov			
Mailing Address: 30 E. Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215				Investigating Officer Phone:			
				Submitting Officer: S/A Cory Momchilov 			
				BCI Crime Scene Agent: Cory Momchilov		Crime Scene Case No: 2023-2210	
DNA <input type="checkbox"/>	Biology <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CODN <input type="checkbox"/>	Chemistry <input type="checkbox"/>	Documents <input type="checkbox"/>	Firearms <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NIBIN <input type="checkbox"/>	GSR <input type="checkbox"/>
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- Item Number: 1**  
Packaging: Envelope containing  
Item Description: - bullet (CS#1)
- Item Number: 2**  
Packaging: Envelope containing  
Item Description: - cartridge casings (CS#2)
- Item Number: 3**  
Packaging: Envelope containing  
Item Description: - cartridge casings (CS#3)
- Item Number: 4**  
Packaging: Envelope containing  
Item Description: - cartridge casings (CS#4)

Subject in custody for this offense? <input type="checkbox"/>		Subject charged for this offense? <input type="checkbox"/>		Trial Date:		Grand Jury Date:	
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**Item Number: 5**

Packaging: Envelope containing  
Item Description: - cartridge casings (CS#5)

**Item Number: 6**

Packaging: Envelope containing  
Item Description: - cartridge case (CS#6)

**Item Number: 7**

Packaging: One cardboard box containing  
Item Description: - firearm (SN:AY578110) recovered from the scene (CS#7)

**Item Number: 8**

Packaging: Envelope containing  
Item Description: - cartridge case recovered from the scene (CS#9)

**Item Number: 9**

Packaging: Envelope containing  
Item Description: - cartridge Case (CS#11)

**Item Number: 10**

Packaging: Envelope containing  
Item Description: - cartridge casings (CS#12)

**Item Number: 11**

Packaging: One cardboard box containing  
Item Description: - firearm (SN:[REDACTED]) with cartridges and magazine (CS#18)

**Item Number: 12**

Packaging: One cardboard box containing  
Item Description: - firearm (SN:[REDACTED]) with cartridge and magazine (CS#19)

**Item Number: 13**

Packaging: One cardboard box containing  
Item Description: - firearm (SN:[REDACTED]) cartridges and magazine (CS#21)

**Item Number: 14**

Packaging: Envelope containing  
Item Description: - cartridge cases (CS#3)

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**Comments:** Case Synopsis: On August 22 2023, at approximately 2000 hours the Howland Township Police Department was dispatched to [REDACTED] Howland Township in reference to a domestic complaint. Officers were informed that the subject of the domestic incident, Randall Fife was armed with a shotgun. When Officers arrived on scene they briefly spotted Fife from a window at which point Fife retreated into the residence. Family members of Fife were also in the residence. The Mahoning Valley Reginal SWAT Team was activated and a hostage stand-off ensued. At approximately 0630 SWAT Team personnel breached the rear door of the residence and made entry. It was reported that Fife fired at least one shot from his shotgun at SWAT Team Members who then returned fired, striking Fife

Analysis Request Details: Please examine and compare recovered projectiles and casings with submitted firearms. Also, please Swab and retain item 007 for possible DNA analysis at a later time.

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Packaging: Envelope containing  
Item Description: - bullet (Matrix# 034)

**Item Number: 16**

Packaging: Envelope containing  
Item Description: - bullet (Matrix#035)

**Item Number: 17**

Packaging: Envelope containing  
Item Description: - bullet (Matrix#036)

**Item Number: 18**

Packaging: Envelope containing  
Item Description: - blood stain card from Randall Fife (Matrix #037)

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Please compare DNA from blood stain card with Swabs from previously submitted item (007)

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# EVIDENCE RECEIPT



## Ohio Attorney General's Office Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Case Number  
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Case Title  
Officer Involved Critical Incident - [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Howland Township, OH 44484 Trumbull County

Transfer Date  
8/30/2023 2:30 PM

### RELEASED FROM

Releasing Agency  
Ohio Attorney General's Office Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Case Number  
2023-2210

Released By  
SA Cory M. Momchilov

### RECEIVED BY

Receiving Agency  
Ohio Attorney General's Office Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Case Number  
2023-2210

Received By  
Nichole Jaklitch

### RELEASE REASON

Submitted

### REQUESTED BY

Requesting Agency  
Howland Twp. Police Department

Case Number  
Not Entered

Requested By  
Nick Roberts

### EVIDENCE

010 - Mobile Phone - Black Apple iPhone - P00020-1035534, 010 (Device) in Envelope C00020-1020375 Living room floor near sofa

### PACKAGING

Envelope C00020-1020375 - Sealed  
- 010 Mobile Phone - Black Apple iPhone

Envelope C00020-1020375 - Sealed  
- 010 Mobile Phone - Black Apple iPhone

### SIGNATURES

X

8/30/2023

Released From SA Cory M. Momchilov

Date

X

8/30/2023

Received By Nichole Jaklitch

Date