



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: Interview with Officer
Involves: Christopher D. Lindner (S)
Date of Activity: 11/15/2025
Activity Location: Lindner, Christopher D. – Home – 4175 Brush Creek Road,
Manchester, OH 45144
Author: SA Richard Ward, #55

Narrative:

On Saturday, November 15, 2025, at 0009 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Richard Ward met with West Union Police Officer Nataya Richards. The interview was conducted inside Agent Ward's vehicle, which was parked in the driveway of 4175 Brush Creek Road.

Officer Richards was identified as an officer who witnessed and/or had some level of involvement in the November 14, 2025 officer-involved shooting that occurred in the area of 4175 Brush Creek Road, Manchester, Ohio. Richards reportedly did not discharge a firearm during the incident. The purpose of the interview was to obtain all relevant information known or observed by her.

Officer Richards has been employed with the West Union Police Department for three months and is assigned to road patrol from [REDACTED]. She was working this assignment during the incident. Richards was inside the Adams County Sheriff's Office dispatch center when she heard radio traffic regarding a pursuit involving a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed on Mineral Springs Road. Additionally, the vehicle was reported to be on State Route 41 traveling toward the Village of West Union. Richards then observed the vehicle, described as a black Land Rover/Range Rover, traveling through West Union on State Route 41. She joined the pursuit and positioned herself at the rear of the police vehicle line.

Officer Richards and West Union Police Chief Larry Anderson entered the driveway off Brush Creek Road and positioned themselves south of the residence. Richards heard via dispatch that the suspect, Christopher Lindner, had entered the house after pulling onto the property via a gravel driveway. An officer operating a drone reported that Lindner was inside the residence looking through its windows. Other than receiving this information, Richards did not have a visual on Lindner due to her view being obstructed by the wooded area.

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Officer Richards heard someone yell that Lindner was outside, followed by Lindner yelling references to the "Lord," possibly stating that it was the Lord's property and ordering officers to get off. Richards then heard a volley of gunfire, after which she was advised that Lindner was down. A drone operator later showed her video depicting Lindner on a balcony, lying on his back with a gun positioned across his ankles. Approximately ten minutes after the gunfire, officers made entry and cleared the residence.

The audio-recorded interview (attached below) with Officer Richards concluded at 0018 hours.

References:

No references.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: West Union Officer Nataya Richards interview