

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



2022-2121 Officer-Involved Critical Incident - 6463 Tara Brooke Court, Hamilton, OH 45011 (L)

| Investigative Activity: | Evidence Collection   |
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| Involves:               | Stephaun Sylas Jones (S), Dennis Paul Henzerling (W), Hamilton<br>Police Department (O)     |
| Date of Activity:       | 10/09/2022  |
| Activity Location:      | Henzerling, Dennis Paul – Home – 6453 Tara Brooke Ct., Hamilton,<br>OH 45011, Butler County |
| Author:                 | SA Kenneth J. Smith, #53  |

### Narrative:

On October 8, 2022, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was requested by the city of Hamilton Police Department (HPD) to investigate an Officer–Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that occurred at 6463 Tara Brooke Court, Hamilton, Ohio. Stephaun Sylas Jones (Jones) was a suspect in a homicide that occurred in the city of Hamilton. Jones fled in a vehicle and ultimately abandoned the vehicle in the driveway of 6322 Morris Road. Jones then ran from responding officers. HPD Officers James Leisinger (Officer Leisinger) and Bryan Bowlin (Officer Bowlin) subsequently encountered Jones near 6463 Tara Brooke Court. Officer Leisinger and Officer Bowlin discharged their department–issued AR–15 rifles, striking and critically wounding Jones. Jones was transported to the UC Health West Chester Hospital, where he ultimately succumbed to his injuries.

On October 9, 2022, SA Smith was contacted by SA Seitzman with information that Denny Henzerling had located an additional spent rifle cartridge casing in his front yard at 6453 Tara Brooke Ct. SA Smith responded to the location and collected the spent casing.

Mr. Henzerling advised SA Smith that he had heard what he believed to be two shots fired. He was in his garage at the time and when he looked outside he observed officers performing CPR on a man (Jones) in the street. While talking to Mr. Henzerling, another neighbor, Dave Booker of 6474 Tara Brooke Court walked up and joined the conversation. He too had heard several shots and looked out to hear officers saying "Stay with us" while performing CPR.

These statements were not recorded due to the spontaneity of the conversation.

On 10/11/2022 SA Eveslage submitted the cartridge casing to the BCI Lab in London.

References:

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Fired cartridge casing - From 6453 Tara Brooke Court, collected by SA K. Smith

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: IMG\_1583 Attachment # 02: IMG\_1586 Attachment # 03: IMG\_1585 Attachment # 04: IMG\_1584

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