



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



2023-0408

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 1680 Stringtown Rd., Grove City
43123 (L)

Investigative Activity: Autopsy of Bret Andrews (Scene 4)
Activity Date: February 13, 2023
Activity Location: Franklin County Forensic Science Center
Authoring Agent: Special Agent Sarah Taylor #136

On February 11, 2023, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was contacted for assistance in reference to an officer involved critical incident. During a search warrant, Columbus SWAT officers discharged their firearms striking Bret Andrews (Andrews). Andrews was transported to the hospital and pronounced deceased (see report: *Examination of Scene 1*).

On February 13, 2023, SA Taylor attended Andrews' autopsy. During the autopsy, Dr. Wrice informed SA Taylor that Andrews had been shot 12 times with three projectiles exiting the body. See the autopsy report for additional detail and trajectory paths (labeled with letters).

On February 14, 2023, SA Taylor collected autopsy evidence items from Curtis Thomas (Thomas) at the Franklin County Forensic Science Center. Items collected consisted of: an FTA Card (item 1), fingernail scrapings (item 2), ink prints (item 3), and nine projectiles (items 4-12). SA Taylor was also provided with a copy of autopsy photographs which were added to Matrix. Thomas informed SA Taylor that he would contact her when the remaining evidence was dry and ready for pick up. SA Taylor transported items 1-12 to the BCI office in London, Ohio.

On February 14, 2023 at 1353 hours SA Taylor submitted the following items to evidence submission:

Scene 1: Items 1-9, 11-14, 16, 19, and 21 (firearm, casings, and projectiles)

Scene 2: Items 1-3 (officer firearms)

Scene 4: Items 1 and 4-12 (FTA card and projectiles)

All additional evidence was submitted to a temporary evidence locker to be placed into the BCI evidence room.

On March 3, 2023, SA Taylor collected two bags sealed in a brown paper bag, that had been used to preserve Andrews' hands during transport to autopsy, from the Franklin County Forensic Science Center. The evidence was labeled as Scene 4, item 13. SA Taylor placed this item into BCI Temporary Evidence Locker 1 at 0916 hours to be submitted to the BCI major crimes evidence vault.

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