

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



2024-1433 Officer Involved Critical Incident - 4802 James Road, North Ridgeville, Ohio

Investigative Activity: DNA Lab Report Received and Reviewed

Involves: Mr. Jason Norris (S), BCI Laboratory (O)

Activity Date: 05/06/2024

Activity Location: BCI, 4055 Highlander Parkway, Richfield, OH 44286

Authoring Agent: Special Agent Nicholas Valente #139

Narrative:

On June 6, 2024, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Nick Valente received a copy of the DNA lab report from the BCI DNA Laboratory. The DNA lab report and an accompanying statement of qualifications of the forensic scientist who collected the DNA swabs were attached to this report. The report noted swabs were taken from the trigger / trigger guard, grip, back slide area, buttons, front sight area, base of magazine, body of magazine, and live rounds from Matrix Item 2, the SCCY CPX-2 9mm pistol fired by Jason Norris (Norris) during the officer-involved shooting.

Video of the officer-involved shooting depicted this weapon being fired by Norris. Further, video depicted a North Ridgeville Police Officer collecting the weapon from directly next to Norris's person immediately after the incident. For these reasons no further DNA analysis will be conducted at this time.

References:

None

Attachments:

- 1. DNA Lab Report
- 2. DNA Lab Analyst Statement of Qualifications

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Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Laboratory Report

DNA

To: Ohio Attorney General's Office BCI Laboratory Number: 24-33473

Nick Valente

30 E. Broad Street Analysis Date: Issue Date: Columbus, OH 43215 May 13, 2024 May 31, 2024

Agency Case Number: 2024-1433 BCI Agent: Nick Valente

Offense: Shooting Involving an Officer

Subject(s): Victim(s):

Submitted on May 10, 2024 by Betsy Farris:

2. One box containing firearm (Matrix Item #2) (serial#723802) with magazine and cartridges recovered from the scene

Item	DNA Conclusions
2.1 Swab of trigger/trigger guard	Mixture (1 major contributor) Major:
2.2 Swab of grip	Unknown male – sufficient for comparison
2.3 Swab of back slide area	The remainder of the mixture contains DNA that is not of sufficient quality for comparison to a standard from any individual.
2.4 Swab of buttons	No DNA analysis
2.5 Swab of front sight area	No DNA analysis
2.6 Swab of base of magazine	No DNA analysis
2.7 Swab of body of magazine	No DNA analysis
2.8 Swab of live rounds	No DNA analysis

Remarks

Items 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 were consumed during analysis. Additional sample from the other items is available should independent analysis be requested. All remaining items will be returned to the submitting agency. The remaining DNA extracts will be retained by the laboratory.

The forensic DNA profiles developed were not eligible for CODIS entry without a reference standard from Jason Norris.

Please address inquiries to the office indicated, using the BCI case number.

Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation BCI&I Richfield Date: May 31, 2024

Analytical Detail

DNA profiling was performed using PCR with the GlobalFiler® STR kit on samples from Item 2.

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Based on visual examination and scientific analyses performed, this report contains opinions and interpretations by the analyst whose signature appears above. Examination documentation and any demonstrative data supporting laboratory conclusions are maintained by BCI and will be made available for review upon request.

Lab Case:

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Education

Bachelor of Science in Forensic Biology. November 2010. Ohio Northern University. Ada, Ohio

Professional Experience

- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Forensic Scientist. 2011-present
- Omega Laboratories. Laboratory Technician. May 2008-August 2008. June 2010-August 2010

Required Technical Training

- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. ArmedXpert. 2022
- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. DNA Interpretation. 2019
- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. DNA Extraction. 2017
- Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Forensic Biology. 2011

A complete CV can be made available upon request

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