



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



2023-1614  
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 428 Foster Ave, Cambridge (L)

**Investigative Activity:** Records Received, Review of Records

**Date of Activity:** 08/22/2023

**Author:** SA Kyle Douglass, #126

**Narrative:**

On July 6 and August 22, 2023, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Kyle Douglass (SA Douglass) received BCI Forensic Biology and Firearms Laboratory Reports for BCI Lab #23-15932. Please refer to the BCI Lab reports for further clarification and details. The findings were saved electronically within the case file and are attached to this report.

On June 15, 2023, BCI was notified of an Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) which occurred at 428 Foster Avenue in Cambridge, OH. It was reported that Cambridge Police Department (CPD) SWAT officers were involved in an encounter with Taurean Devonte Brown (Taurean Brown) at this location. During the encounter, Taurean Brown allegedly fired a weapon at CPD responding officers, and a CPD SWAT officer discharged his firearm in response. Taurean Brown was later discovered inside the residence deceased, with an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound.

The following firearms were recovered during the incident which reportedly did not belong to any law enforcement officers on scene, and were collected by the BCI Crime Scene Unit (CSU):

- Mossberg 500A, 12-gauge shotgun (serial #P449811)
- Ruger SR9c, 9mm Luger semi-automatic pistol (serial #339-21298)
- Sar Arms SARK2P, 9mm Luger semi-automatic pistol (serial #T110216C01881)

The following firearm was also collected during the incident, which was reported to belong to CPD [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]):

- Sig Sauer SIG-MCX, 5.56 NATO select-fire rifle (serial # [REDACTED])

All recovered firearms were submitted to the lab. Forensic Scientist Briana Barga (FS Barga) identified the firearm with serial #P449811, Mossberg 500A shotgun, registered to Taurean Brown of Cambridge, OH. FS Barga identified the firearm with serial #339-21298, Ruger SR9c pistol, registered to Gregory Maurice Deonte Brown (Gregory Brown) of Cleveland, OH. FS Barga identified the firearm with serial #T110216C01881, Sar Arms SARK2P pistol, registered to Cassandra Nicole Mahley of Cambridge, OH. The Ruger SR9c was presumptive positive for blood. DNA samples were taken from these firearms but were not forwarded for DNA analysis.

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Five (5) unfired 12-gauge shotshells were recovered with the Mossberg 500A. One (1) magazine containing three (3) unfired 9mm cartridges was recovered with the Ruger SR9c. One (1) magazine containing ten (10) unfired 9mm cartridges was recovered with the Sar Arms SARK2P. Two (2) magazines with a total of forty-seven (47) unfired 223 REM cartridges were recovered with the Sig Sauer SIG-MCX.

While processing the scene, CSU recovered additional cartridge cases and fired projectiles in the vicinity of the OICI. A total of one (1) fired shotshell, twenty-five (25) fired cartridge cases, twenty-one (21) unfired cartridge cases, three (3) fired jacketed bullets, two (2) fired bullet jacket fragments and one (1) metal fragment were submitted to the lab for analysis.

Forensic Scientist Daniel Steiner (FS Steiner) identified one (1) fired 12-gauge shotshell (Item 8) as being source identified to the Mossberg 500A shotgun, serial #P449811, which was recovered from the scene in Taurean Brown's vicinity. FS Steiner identified five (5) fired 9mm cartridge cases (Item 7) as being source identified to the Ruger SR9c pistol, serial #339-21298, which was recovered from the scene in Taurean Brown's possession. FS Steiner identified seven (7) fired 9mm cartridge cases (Items 2, 7) as being source identified to the Sar Arms SARK2P pistol, serial #T110216C01881, which was recovered from the scene in Taurean Brown's possession. FS Steiner identified thirteen (13) fired 223 REM cartridges as being source identified to the Sig Sauer SIG-MCX rifle assigned to CPD [REDACTED]

FS Steiner documented three (3) fired jacketed bullets (Items 10, 11, 12) as inconclusive. Two (2) fired bullet jacket fragments and one (1) metal fragment were considered unsuitable for testing due to insufficient class and/or individual characteristics present.

#### **Attachments:**

Attachment # 01: 00941258 BCI Biology Lab Report  
Attachment # 02: 00941257 BCI Firearms Lab Report



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**Laboratory Report  
DNA**

To: BCI / Madison  
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London, OH 43140

BCI Laboratory Number: 23-15932

Analysis Date:  
June 27, 2023

Issue Date:  
July 05, 2023

Agency Case Number:  
BCI Agent:

2023-1614  
Shawn Rowley

Offense: Shooting Involving an Officer  
Subject(s):  
Victim(s):

**Submitted on June 21, 2023 by S/A Shawn Rowley:**

- 1. One cardboard box containing firearm (serial #P449811) with shells (BCI#1, Scene #1)
- 4. White box containing firearm with stain (serial #339-21298), magazine, and cartridges (BCI #4, Scene #1)
- 5. White box containing firearm (serial #T110216C01881), magazine, and cartridges (BCI #5, Scene #1)

Item	Conclusions
1 Firearm 1.1 Swabbing from trigger 1.2 Swabbing from grips 1.3 Swabbing from breech block and release button 1.4 Swabbing from pump 1.5 Swabbing from front sight area 1.6 Swabbing from 5 loose rounds	No blood identified Samples collected for DNA analysis
4 Firearm with magazine 4.1 Swabbing from stain on side of front sight 4.2 Swabbing from stain on top of front sight 4.3 Swabbing from stain on inside of barrel 4.4 Swabbing from trigger 4.5 Swabbing from grip 4.6 Swabbing from slide 4.7 Swabbing from buttons 4.8 Swabbing from front sight area 4.9 Swabbing from magazine base 4.10 Swabbing from magazine body 4.11 Swabbing from 3 loose rounds	Presumptive positive for blood Samples collected for DNA analysis

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5 Firearm with magazine 5.1 Swabbing from trigger 5.2 Swabbing from grip 5.3 Swabbing from slide 5.4 Swabbing from buttons 5.5 Swabbing from front sight area 5.6 Swabbing from magazine base 5.7 Swabbing from magazine body 5.8 Swabbing from 10 loose rounds	Samples collected for DNA analysis
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**Remarks**

Samples are not being forwarded for DNA analysis at this time. All evidence will be returned to the submitting agency.

**Analytical Detail**

Presumptive analysis for blood was performed using chemical testing.



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**Laboratory Report  
Firearms**

To:	BCI / Madison Kyle Douglass 1560 S.R. 56 SW London, OH 43140	BCI Laboratory Number:	23-15932
		Analysis Date:	Issue Date:
		July 26, 2023	August 14, 2023
		Agency Case Number:	2023-1614
		BCI Agent:	Shawn Rowley
Offense:	Shooting Involving an Officer		
Subject(s):	N/A		
Victim(s):	N/A		

**Submitted on June 21, 2023 by S/A Shawn Rowley:**

1. One cardboard box containing firearm (serial #P449811) with shells (BCI#1, Scene #1)
  - *One (1) Mossberg model 500A, 12 gauge slide-action shotgun, serial #P449811, with five (5) unfired 12 gauge shotshells*
2. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge case (BCI #2, Scene #1)
  - *One (1) fired 9mm Luger cartridge case*
3. One manila envelope containing cartridges (BCI #3, Scene #1)
  - *Twenty-one (21) unfired 9mm Luger cartridges*
4. White box containing firearm with stain (serial #339-21298), magazine, and cartridges (BCI #4, Scene #1)
  - *One (1) Ruger model SR9c, 9mm Luger semi-automatic pistol, serial #339-21298, with one (1) magazine and three (3) unfired 9mm Luger cartridges*
5. White box containing firearm (serial #T110216C01881), magazine, and cartridges (BCI #5, Scene #1)
  - *One (1) Sar Arms/Sarsilmaz model SARK2P, 9mm Luger semi-automatic pistol, serial #T1102 16C01881, with one (1) magazine and ten (10) unfired 9mm Luger cartridges*
6. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge case (BCI #6, Scene #1)
  - *Thirteen (13) fired 223 Rem cartridge cases*

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7. One manila envelope containing fired cartridge case (BCI #9, Scene #1)
  - **Eleven (11) fired 9mm Luger cartridge cases**
8. One manila envelope containing fired shot shell (BCI #21, Scene #1)
  - *One (1) fired 12 gauge shotshell*
9. One cardboard box containing firearm (serial # [REDACTED], magazines, and cartridges (BCI #1, Scene #2)
  - *One (1) Sig Sauer model SIG MCX, 5.56mm NATO select-fire rifle, serial # [REDACTED] with two (2) magazines and forty-seven (47) unfired 223 Rem cartridges*
10. One manila envelope containing fired projectile (BCI #1, Scene #3)
  - *One (1) fired jacketed bullet*
11. One manila envelope containing fired projectile (BCI #1, Scene #4)
  - *One (1) fired jacketed bullet*
12. One manila envelope containing fired projectile (BCI #2, Scene #4)
  - *One (1) fired jacketed bullet*
13. One manila envelope containing fragment (BCI #1, Scene #5)
  - *Two (2) fired bullet jacket fragments*
  - *One (1) metal fragment*

**Findings**

Item Description	Comparison	Conclusion
Item 1: Mossberg shotgun	N/A	Operable
	Item 8: One (1) fired 12 gauge shotshell	Source Identification (see remarks)
Item 4: Ruger pistol	N/A	Operable
	Item 7: Five (5) fired 9mm Luger cartridge cases	Source Identification
	Items 10, 11, 12: Three (3) fired jacketed bullets	Inconclusive*
Item 5: Sar Arms/Sarsilmaz pistol	N/A	Operable
	Items 2, 7: Seven (7) fired 9mm Luger cartridge cases	Source Identification
	Items 10, 11, 12: Three (3) fired jacketed bullets	Inconclusive*
Item 9: Sig Sauer rifle	N/A	Operable
	Item 6: Thirteen (13) fired 223 Rem cartridge cases	Source Identification

\*Similar class characteristics but insufficient corresponding individual characteristics to identify or exclude.

Item Description	Comparison	Conclusion
Item 13: Two (2) fired bullet jacket fragments, one (1) metal fragment	N/A	Unsuitable^

^Insufficient class and/or individual characteristics present.

### **Remarks**

Microscopic comparison of the one (1) fired 12 gauge shotshell, item 8, with test fires from the Mossberg shotgun, item 1, revealed corresponding extractor and ejector characteristics, confirming that the one (1) fired 12 gauge shotshell, item 8, was cycled through the Mossberg shotgun, item 1.

The three (3) fired jacketed bullets, items 10, 11, and 12, were not intercompared at this time.

Three (3) of the five (5) submitted shotshells from item 1 were used for test firing.

Three (3) of the ten (10) submitted cartridges from item 5 were used for test firing.

Six (6) of the forty-seven (47) submitted cartridges from item 9 were used for test firing.

Test fired cartridge cases from items 1, 4, and 5 were previously entered and searched in the NIBIN database at the London laboratory. If investigative information becomes available, your agency will be notified.

The remaining submitted items from items 1, 3, 4, 5, and 9 were not examined at this time.

All evidence will be returned to the submitting agency.

### **Analytical Detail**

Analytical findings offered above were determined using visual and microscopic examinations / comparisons.



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### Comparison Conclusion Scale

The following lists the conclusions a Forensic Scientist may reach when performing comparisons. In reaching a conclusion, a Forensic Scientist considers the similarities and dissimilarities and assesses the relative support of the observations under the following two propositions: the evidence originated from the same source or from a different source.

A Forensic Scientist may utilize their knowledge, training, and experience to evaluate how much support the observed similarities or dissimilarities provide for one conclusion over another. A conclusion shall not be communicated with absolute certainty. It is an interpretation of observations made by the Forensic Scientists and shall be expressed as an expert opinion.

1	Source Identification	The observations provide extremely strong support for the proposition that the evidence originated from the same source and the likelihood for the proposition that the evidence arose from a different source is so remote as to be considered a practical impossibility.
2	Support for Same Source	The observations provide more support for the proposition that the evidence originated from the same source rather than different sources; however, there is insufficient support for a Source Identification. The degree of support may range from limited to strong or similar descriptors of the degree of support. Any use of this conclusion shall include a statement of the factor(s) limiting a stronger conclusion.
3	Inconclusive	The observations do not provide a sufficient degree of support for one proposition over the other. Any use of this conclusion shall include a statement of the factor(s) limiting a stronger conclusion.
4	Support for Different Source	The observations provide more support for the proposition that the evidence originated from different sources rather than the same source; however, there is insufficient support for a Source Exclusion. The degree of support may range from limited to strong or similar descriptors of the degree of support. Any use of this conclusion shall include a statement of the factor(s) limiting a stronger conclusion.
5	Source Exclusion	The observations provide extremely strong support for the proposition that the evidence originated from a different source and the likelihood for the proposition that the evidence arose from the same source is so remote as to be considered a practical impossibility; or the evidence exhibits fundamentally different characteristics

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