



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



2022-2918

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 500 West Hopocan, Barberton, OH  
44203

**Investigative Activity:** Request for Video Sync  
**Involves:** Ohio Organized Crime Investigations Commission (O)  
**Activity Date:** January 12, 2023  
**Activity Location:** BCI - Richfield  
**Authoring Agent:** Special Agent Nicholas Valente

**Narrative:**

On January 12, 2023, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Nick Valente (Valente) requested the Ohio Organized Crime Investigations Commission (OOCIC) sync surveillance camera footage from the Barberton YMCA, Sitting Pretty Hair and Nail Boutique, Barberton Police Officer Velo's body-worn camera video, and Barberton Police Officer Shields' body-worn camera video.

SA Valente completed the OOCIC Evidence Submission Form, along with an attachment which outlined SA Valente's request. SA Valente provided a thumb drive with the videos to be reviewed to OOCIC for analysis. The forms and thumb drive were mailed to OOCIC. The analysis request (PDF of the submission form and attachment) and mailing receipt are attached to this report.

**Attachments:**

2023-01-12: Ohio Organized Crime Investigations Commission Video Request Form Completed and Signed

2023-01-12: Ohio Organized Crime Investigations Commission Video Request Letter

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January 12, 2023

Ohio Organized Crime Investigations Commission,

My name is Nick Valente and I am a Special Agent with the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. I am currently investigating an officer involved shooting which resulted in the death of the subject. This incident occurred on December 26, 2022, in Barberton, Ohio.

During the course of this investigation I have obtained the following relevant video recordings:

1. Body worn camera footage collected from the Barberton Police Officer who is alleged to have shot the subject.
2. Body worn camera footage collected from a Barberton Police Officer who was involved in the incident and witnessed the shooting.
3. Surveillance video from the Barberton YMCA which recorded the event that is the subject of this investigation.
4. Surveillance video from Sitting Pretty Hair and Nail Boutique which recorded the event that is the subject of this investigation.

I am requesting your assistance as follows:

- One production of each video file including a frame counter and audio wave bar (where applicable) for the times specified below.
- A separate production which includes all four videos synced if possible.
  - If possible, could the second production be created to include:
    - Audio wave bars (where applicable) and a frame counter
    - One production at full speed
    - One production at half speed

The video file titled “**CH02-2022-12-26-10-01-18\_10-21-21**” was created from a neighboring business, Sitting Pretty Hair and Nail Boutique, surveillance camera recording. The relevant portions of this video which I am requesting be analyzed **begin at 7:08 into the video** (which is wrongly time-stamped on the recording as 10:08:26) **and ends 12:00 into the video.**

The video file titled “**2022-12-29 - 24 7 Door 1\_20221226\_085655**” was created from a neighboring YMCA surveillance camera recording. The relevant portions of this video which I am requesting be analyzed **begin at 4:45 into the video and end at 9:27 into the video.**

The video file titled “**[REDACTED] BWC**” was created from a body worn camera recording of a witness officer. The relevant portions of this video which I am requesting be analyzed **begin at 0:20 into the video and end at 5:05 into the video.**

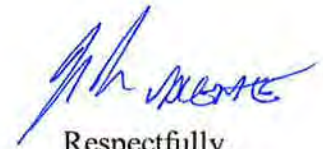
The video file titled "[REDACTED] BWC" was created from a body worn camera recording of the involved officer. The relevant portions of this video which I am requesting be analyzed begin at **0:35 into the video and end at 3:08 into the video.**

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Responsive records may be sent via email to [Nicholas.Valente@OhioAGO.Gov](mailto:Nicholas.Valente@OhioAGO.Gov) or by physical mail to:

BCI

Attention SA Valente  
4055 Highlander Parkway  
Richfield, Ohio 44286



Respectfully,  
S/A Nick Valente  
Ph: 614-208-8405  
1/12/2023



**Evidence Submission Form**

<i>Submitting Agency (or OOCIC Task Force Number)</i> Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation		<i>Case Investigator</i> S/A Nick Valente	<i>Submitting Investigator</i> S/A Nick Valente
<i>Agency County</i> Summit County		<i>Agency Case Number</i> 2022-2918	<i>Court Date</i> N/A
<i>Telephone Number</i> 234-400-3622	<i>Cell Phone Number</i> 614-208-8405	<i>Fax Number</i> 877-476-2195	
<i>Mailing Address</i> 4055 Highlander Parkway		<i>E-Mail Address</i> Nicholas.Valente@OhioAGO.gov	
<i>City</i> Richfield		<i>State</i> Ohio	<i>Zip Code</i> 44286

**Submitted Items:** When possible, submit original items. Additional items may be attached on a separate sheet.

Item #	Description	Media Make / Model	Recorder Make / Model	Serial Number
1	Surveillance Video Titled: "CH02-2022-12-26-10-01-18_10-21-21"	AVI File	Unknown	Unknown
2	Surveillance Video Titled: "2022-12-29 - 24 7 Door 1_20221226_085655"	MP4 File	Unknown	Unknown
3	Involved Officer BWC Titled: "Robert Velo BWC"	MP4 File	Axon	Unknown

**Requested Service:** Please see attached form for descriptions for each process (check all that apply).

Video Analysis	Video Duplication	Digital Photographs	Audio Analysis	Audio Duplication	Audio Reconst./Repair	Video Reconst./Repair	Audio Redaction	Video Redaction
X			X			X		

**Subject/Victim Information:**

<i>Subject Name</i> Zachary Zoran	<i>Custody Status</i> Deceased	<i>Sex</i> Male	<i>Race</i> Caucasian
<i>Offense</i> Aggravated Robbery C C W Failure to Comply, Attempted F Assault	<i>Date of Offense</i> 12/26/2022	<i>Location of Offense: (City, County)</i> Barberton, Summit County	
<i>Victim(s): (Business Name (if applicable) and Address)</i> N/A			

**Case Information:** (Describe the incident that needs analyzed including time, date, camera or any other important information such as subject, clothing, or vehicle description. If specific still photos/images are required, please note the camera and time.)

Please see attached sheet for specific production requests. This request for production is made in reference to an officer involved shooting

which resulted in the death of the subject.

Submitted By S/A Nick Valente  
(Print Name)

(Sign Name)

May we make a copy of the submission to use for training, research, or lab promotional purposes?

Yes  No



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1	Involved Officer Body Worn Camera Video Titled: "Herbert Shields BWC"	MP4	Axon	Unknown
2				
3				

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Yes  No



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