SUMMARY OF TRANSCRIPTION – QUAMERE ROOKS

On Friday, May 14, 2021, at approximately 3:11pm, DIRECTOR FRED MAYS in the OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS interviewed SPECIAL AGENT QUAMERE ROOKS at GBI Headquarters. The interview of SPECIAL AGENT ROOKS was recorded in its entirety and a typed transcription of the interview is attached to this summary.

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INTERVIEW WITH QUAMERE ROOKS

Okay. Today's date is Friday, May 14, 2021. The time now is 3:11pm. This is DIRECTOR FRED MAYS in the GBI OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS and I'm speaking with SPECIAL AGENT QUAMERE ROOKS. He is an Agent, SPECIAL AGENT, assigned to the GBI REGION 7 OFFICE.

FM: QUAMERE, how long have you worked for GBI?

QR: I've been with the GBI since September 15th of 2020.

FM: Okay, and you're in the GBI Basic Agent School right now, is that correct?

QR: Yes, sir.

FM: Okay, and you were, you were already working there before you went to the GBI basic school?

QR: Yes, sir.

FM: Okay, and evidently you have some previous law enforcement background.

Where did you work for?

QR: I was with the DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SUPERVISION. That's PROBATION AND PAROLE and I'd been with them since 2016.

FM: Okay. What office were you assigned out of?

QR: I was with WALTON COUNTY and NEWTON COUNTY. So, the ALCOVY JUDICIAL CIRCUIT.

FM: ALCOVY. Okay.

QR: Yes, sir.

FM: Alright. This incident happened on May the 12th.

QR: Yes, sir.

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FM: A bunch of ya'll went down to a Mexican restaurant and ya'll went to another bar

QR: Yes, sir.

FM: - and stuff. I have your statement here.

QR: Mm.

FM: Do you want to look over it?

QR: No, sir.

FM: Okay. Is there anything you want to change, add, or delete to this statement?

QR: I would like to add to that statement -

FM: Okay.

QR: - that she attempted to talk to me again -

FM: Mm hmm.

QR: - after they told us we were going on Administrative Leave.

FM: Okay.

QR: We were leaving the classroom and that's – I'm glad they got cameras there. We were leaving the classroom. I left way before she did because I didn't, I didn't have any questions. I just wanted to leave. She sped her walk up to come and talk to me. She stopped me below the steps. If you're going back towards the dorms, I'm not familiar, I know you're familiar with the campus, –

FM: Mm hmm.

QR: – but if you're going back towards the barracks, past the mem, uh, the memorial, going back toward the barracks, we were headed down the steps and she asked me, "Hey, can you, can we talk?", and I said, "I don't think we're supposed to be

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talking, but what is it?" And she was, like, well, I just want you to know I'm on your side. I told them that you didn't do anything and that, you know, I just didn't remember, and I asked her the same question that I asked her when she tried to talk to me in the classroom.

FM: Mm hmm.

QR: Why would you tell them that I did something to you, if I didn't do anything? I said, why would you tell them that if you just didn't remember? Why wouldn't you tell them that you just didn't remember? And at the end of the day, the way I feel about, that was my friend, —

FM: Mm hmm.

QR: We were friends.

FM: Okay. Let's, yeah, that's what you wanted to add to the story. But let's, we're gonna start at the beginning, and I guess when we get to this point here, that would be the end thing that has happened.

QR: Yes, sir.

FM: What you just told me. And we're talking about MEGAN HIRSCH, right?

QR: Yes, sir.

FM: Okay. Alright, tell you what, let's start at the beginning. And I'm gonna -- and if I hold my hand up, stop talking because with these recordings, it's gonna be transcribed --

QR: Yes, sir.

FM: – and I don't want us to talk over each other.

QR: Yes, sir.

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FM: Okay. And, but I might, when you're talking, I might have a question that I might need for you to answer or clarify.

QR: Yes, sir.

FM: But, I'll start, now, you and she went through Mandate School together -

QR: Yes, sir.

FM: – too, right?

QR: Yes, sir.

FM: Okay. Alright. So, just go ahead and tell me what started this night, on May 12th

QR: Yes, sir.

FM: – and then we'll get to what you just said and then I might have some follow-up questions.

QR: Yes, sir. So, basically, on the day of May 12th – I have to start from the day because that is when I suggested that me, MEGAN HIRSCH, JUSTIN JONES, JASON COLE, and JAMIE CRAFT should go get some drinks. I had, my house had burned, my house burned down. I think everybody here knows that. It had burned down. We'd been going through that. I've been going through some issues with my family as far as my aunt had medical issues while I've been at training, and me and my brother and my mom have been going through some things. So, I've been extremely stressed while I've been at BAC. I usually don't go out with the class and, and anybody in class will tell you, I may, I've probably went out with the class when they've went out for drinks maybe once, and they usually go all the time. But, I don't, I usually don't go out. I have too much stuff

going on, so I usually just stay at the room and me and JUSTIN JONES will, like, hang out. We'll play, like, NBA 2K or something on his Xbox. So, this particular, this particular day, we're in class and I said, "Hey, ya'll want to just go to Mexican? I need a drink. It's been so much going on. I need a drink." And they were, like, yeah that's fine. We all need a drink to decompress from class, so we can do it. MEGAN HIRSCH drops that in the group so that way everybody knows, you know, hey you're invited out. We're all going to Mexican. We get out of class and me, MEGAN, JASON, and JUSTIN are walking together and we're, like, hey, we're gonna go change. It shouldn't be anything but about 10 minutes, and then we'll head out and go get something to eat. MEGAN rides with - we get dressed. MEGAN rides with me, JUSTIN, STEPHEN PENDERGRASS, and JUSTIN drives. And JUSTIN chose to drive because he will, he was, he didn't drink. He wasn't going to drink. He knew that if we were drinking, we probably didn't need to be driving. So, he was driving because he didn't drink. And then, JASON, ERIC WHITE, and BRANDON CROCKER met us shortly thereafter at the Mexican restaurant. There were a couple of students that chose to go somewhere else. They went to Jonah's and that was part of the reason why we were going to Jonah's after Mexican, but I, I won't skip around. I'm sorry.

FM: Mm hmm.

QR: So, we get to the Mexican restaurant. We all order a drink, or I think STEPHEN gets a beer. I get a margarita. MEG gets a margarita. JASON gets, uh, Jack and Coke or something like that. JUSTIN doesn't have anything, but a water, or Sprite, or something. And, ERIC has a beer. And then me and JASON -- JASON

orders me a shot, and then he orders me another shot, and then he orders MEG a drink. So, we're sitting there, we're having a good time, we're talking. We get our food. We eat. Uh, we, we decide, hey, we're going to go meet up with the classmates that went to Jonah's. So, we all leave from there. MEGAN rides with JASON, uh, and JUSTIN is with me and STEPHEN. JUSTIN drives me and STEPHEN. So, we leave from there and we go to Jonah's. And, when we get to Jonah's, we see the classmates leaving. So, they're obviously not staying, but we end up going and, we go, we go in anyway and we just have some more drinks. And I don't, I don't think we had too many. I think, uh, if I'm not mistaken, JASON brought me one more shot that I barely could get through because I was, like, this is disgusting. And then, I think MEG had another drink. I don't know if JASON bought it. I can't speak to his, to him buying hers, but I know he bought me one. Um, and we just, we were there just kickin' it, talking. Now, around the same time, I talked to MEGAN'S boyfriend and we were just chopping it up because me and him were becoming cool. Me and him were talking about hanging out. And, his mom's birthday was that day, so I had told her, like, yo, you know. I need to get his number so that way I can send his mom a gift, you know. I think he's really nice. I think he's cool. And so, we leave from there. Um, after we, after everybody's finished drinking, whatever the case may be, she rides back with JASON. I ride back with JUSTIN and STEPHEN. We get back to the campus and apparently, and, now, I don't remember this part, but apparently, we were drinking in the parking lot. And, I can't deny or say that that's true, because I, I really don't remember that part. Somebody told me that. Um, but we get back to

the campus. I'm talking about going to see my wife. And so, LUCAS comes out and he is like, hey man, you know, you don't need to be driving to go see your wife. So, ultimately, I don't go. But then MEG starts getting emotional out there. And so, me and JUSTIN and, and, uh, -- I don't know if JASON was still out there or not,-- but me and JUSTIN were still outside. And, I'm, like, hey, you know, what's going on with you? Like, what's, what's happening? Like, are you okay? And I'm, like, do you need to talk? We can go get in my car. We can talk. JUSTIN'S standing out there. I'm, like, hey, if you, if, you know, you don't, and, and we're friends, so I'm like, if you're not cool with it just being me talk to you. JUSTIN can get in the car too and talk to you. I'm, like, any, JASON get in the car. We can all get in the car and talk. I'm just trying to figure out what's going on with you. So, she's like, yeah, I'll just, I'll come get in the car with you. So, she willingly comes and gets to the car. I don't bring her. I don't walk her over there and, and the campus has cameras, but everything, I don't walk her to my car. I don't do any of that. She goes and gets in the passenger side of my car. I go and I get in the driver's side after I tell everybody else, I'm hollering at ya'll, and I'm about to go talk to MEGAN. So, we get in the car and she starts crying about her life's not going the way she wants it to, issues with her boyfriend. And so, I'm, like, nah, we need to call HUNTER. So, we call HUNTER in the car. I think we called him twice as a matter of fact. The first time we called him, now, before we called him the first time, I'm in the car calming her down because she's crying. She's crying, bawling out crying, and it might have been because she was probably drunk, but she's bawling out crying and I'm, like, hey, calm down. You're

fine. Your life is fine. You're strong. We all believe in you here. You're gonna make it through this training and we're all good. Don't worry about it. We all got something going on. We got to be courageous. We have to be literally just encouraging each other. Literally. So, we all HUNTER and I'm, like, HUNTER, man, you, you gotta talk to her man. She, she just distraught right now. She wants to talk to you. So, they start talking and then he gives the phone back to me and he's, like, man, how much did ya'll drink? And I'm, like, man, we been drinking, but at the end of the day, man, it's obvious that she loves you. It's obvious that she likes you, you know. She, she, she loves you. And he was just, like, laughing. We started laughing. Both of us. We're all in the car. Now, we're just laughing it up because it's, like, it just seems like a drunk moment. We get off the phone with him. We start talking some more. We call him back. I don't know what it was for, but it wasn't, it wasn't anything serious. We were literally just chopping it up with him. We get, we get to talking. We're still talking. Uh, it starts to dim down outside and we're in the car, and she starts telling me how HUNTER and her don't really have sex like that. So, we start talking about our sex lives. I'm, I'm telling her, you know, hey, I'm, like, me and my wife, we role play, and we do this and, you know. Those are things that keep us interested in each other. And, she's, like, well, I've tried this with him and that doesn't work, and he's just not as sexual as me. And so, I'm, like, I say something along the lines of, well, I like sex. And, at this point, we just like, look at each other and we, like, we should do it. And so, she agrees. I agree. She starts taking her pants off. She is fully aware. She takes her pants off. I proceed in the front seat to give her oral sex. I

lean over. The, um, middle console. I lean over that and I start to give her oral sex. I'm, like, we need to move from this spot because we're literally right beside all these cars. This is all GPSTC parking lot, and that's, I'm glad it was because there's cameras out there. I move my car over into another area in the parking lot because we were located close to the obstacle course. So, I move my car over into the other side of the parking lot and I'm, like, we should get in the back. She goes and gets in the back. I don't move her. I don't coerce her. I don't grab her hand and put – she goes, and she gets in the back. I turn off the car. I follow her to the back. When we get back there, I proceed to start doing the oral sex again. She has not expressed to me at any time that she's uncomfortable, that she didn't want to do this. We agreed to do this. This, this is, this is my friend we're talking about. We agreed to do this. Now, whether we were drunk. Yes, we probably, we were drunk. And, that is probably the reason why we ended up doing it. But everything was mutual. We agreed. She's my friend. I don't have a reason to hurt -- I don't have a reason to hurt her or do anything wrong to her. We get into it and, and we're about to go a little further. And, when I, by me saying, go a little further, I know you want specifics. Go a little further as far as initiate actual sex, like, actual, uh, penetration. We were about to because at this point, I was taking off my pants. We hear a knock on the window. It's CHARLIE. He opens the door and, and I'm, mind you, he opened the door. The doors aren't locked. He opens the door and he sticks his head in, and he said, "Hey man, ya'll need to go. Ya'll need -. " Now, I don't know if he saw MEGAN or not. In my, in my opinion, I think he only saw me and I don't think he, I don't think he knew who