

SUMMARY OF TRANSCRIPTION – DENNIS CROCKER

On Tuesday, May 18, 2021, at approximately 4:19pm, DIRECTOR FRED MAYS in the OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS interviewed SPECIAL AGENT DENNIS CROCKER via telephone. The interview of SPECIAL AGENT CROCKER was recorded in its entirety and a typed transcription of the interview is attached to this summary.

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TELEPHONE INTERVIEW WITH DENNIS CROCKER

Okay, today's date is Tuesday, May 18, 2021. The time now is 4:19pm. DIRECTOR FRED MAYS in the GBI OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS. I am speaking with SPECIAL AGENT DENNIS CROCKER, C-R-O-C-K-E-R. I contacted SPECIAL AGENT CROCKER on SAC BILL BODREY'S cell phone at 404-304-9116.

FM: Okay, AGENT CROCKER, how long have you worked for GBI?

DC: I started in September of 2020.

FM: 20, okay, and you were sent to the GBI REGION 5, Statesboro Office?

DC: Yes, sir.

FM: Okay, then you left there, and you went to the GBI BASIC ACADEMY, that's where you're located now, is that correct?

DC: Yes, sir.

FM: Okay. Alright. DENNIS, the incident that happened on May 12th, 2021, where you met with some your classmates at a Mexican restaurant there in Forsyth, Georgia, tell me, who did you meet with at that location and what did ya'll do?

DC: Uh, yes, sir, um, we met at the, uh, Mexican restaurant somewhere approximately like 6:45 p.m.

FM: Mm hmm.

DC: And, um, I had arrived a little bit later than everyone else, uh, because I'd been to the doctor. Um, when I arrived, uh, JUSTIN JONES, QUAMERE ROOKS, MEGAN HIRSCH, JASON COLE, STEPHEN PENDERGRASS and ERIC WHITE were already sitting at the table.

FM: Okay.

DC: Um, that's –

FM: Okay, and did you drive there yourself?

DC: Yes, sir.

FM: Okay. Were you driving a GBI vehicle?

DC: I was.

FM: Okay. Was there drinking and how, and did you drink?

DC: Uh, yes, sir, uh, everyone except JUSTIN JONES had something to drink. Uh, I had a beer with, uh, dinner.

FM: Okay. Alright, could you tell if any of the classmates were drinking more than the other ones?

DC: Uh, yes, sir, um, I believe ERIC WHITE and STEPHEN PENDERGRASS had only one beer. Um, JUSTIN JONES didn't drink at all. Uh, QUAMERE ROOKS and MEGAN HIRSCH both had, uh, looked like a mixed margarita drink in kind of a big glass, and there was a shot glass in front of, uh, QUAMERE ROOKS. Um, JASON COLE was also drinking what appeared to be some kind of Coke and maybe bourbon or something, um, but I can't be sure of, of what was in the glass.

FM: Okay. (*Mumbling/reading statement* -- We talked about (inaudible) and I decided to go --) Okay, so you, you did not go to the FOX BREWERY after the Mexican restaurant?

DC: Uh, no, sir. After we paid, uh, they said they were going to the FOX BREWERY. Um, having been to the doctor and having back problems, I decided to come back to the Academy and get in bed.

FM: Okay, did you take any medication for your back?

DC: Uh, they gave me shots at the, uh, clinic that I went to before I went to the restaurant.

FM: Uh huh.

DC: Uh, pretty much a, um, anti-inflammatory and a steroid.

FM: Okay. Alright. Are you familiar with the policy of no alcohol and driving a state vehicle?

DC: Uh, actually, I was under the impression that that was during, uh, official times that we were using it. Um, having looked at it now, it makes sense now that it's during any time.

FM: Okay, so you understand that you violated GBI Policy by drinking that beer and driving a GBI vehicle?

DC: Yes, sir.

FM: Okay. I think that's about it, AGENT CROCKER. Did you see, was there any type of conversation come up about sex during, when ya'll were there at the Mexican restaurant?

DC: Um, so when we were at the restaurant, uh, someone, I don't recall who, had made a comment about, uh, MR. ROOKS, um, gym shorts when he comes into, uh, PT in the morning.

FM: Mm hmm.

DC: About, about his penis looking like it's poking out. Uh, there were a couple of jokes made about it, but, um, nothing sexual, I don't recall being talked about.

FM: Do you remember what MEGAN said?