

**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
REGION 10  
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

**10-0035-23-23**

On Tuesday, August 23, 2022, at approximately 12:27pm, Special Agent (SA) STEPHANIE GRAHAM requested an e-Trace for the missing, agency-assigned Glock 43 (S/N: AFVK928). Deputy (DEP) JOSEPH COBURN was initially assigned this firearm. DEP COBURN attempted to return a different firearm (Glock 43, bearing S/N: AGMU290) upon his resignation from the Henry County Sheriff's Office.

An e-Trace was requested for the following firearm:

Case: 10-0035-23-23

Case Type: Preliminary Investigation

Recovery Date: None

Manufacturer: Glock

Model: 43

Caliber: 9mm

S/N: AFVK928

Investigation continues.

SPECIAL AGENT STEPHANIE GRAHAM: 8/23/2022

sg: 8/23/2022

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On Thursday, August 4, 2022, at approximately 3:30pm, Special Agent (SA) STEPHANIE GRAHAM reviewed the preliminary review documentation provided by the Henry County Sheriff's Office (HCSO). This act was in response to an HCSO request to investigate possible criminal activity of a prior employee, Deputy (DEP) JOSEPH COBURN.

SA GRAHAM reviewed the documentation provided by Henry County Sheriff's Office Captain (CPT) MARC JOHNSON. Per HCSO preliminary investigation, SA GRAHAM noted the following information:

Deputy (DEP) JOSEPH COBURN had resigned from HCSO and planned to continue his career as an investigator with Coweta County District Attorney's Office. Upon his resignation, DEP COBURN turned in his agency-assigned firearms, including a Glock 43. The handgun serial number did not match the agency inventory.

August 13, 2021 – DEP COBURN was assigned Glock 43 (S/N: AFVK928) and qualified with the weapon.

December 3, 2021 – DEP COBURN qualified with Glock 43 (S/N: Unknown) with Sergeant CHARLES CROSS listed as primary instructor and DEP JEFFREY PERKINS as the secondary instructor.

December 5, 2021 – DEP PERKINS entered a qualifying score for DEP COBURN two

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days later. The corresponding 'Firearms Qualification Score Sheet' was not located in DEP COBURN's file.

July 5, 2022 – DEP COBURN purchased a Glock 43 (S/N: AGMU290) at Ed's Pawn Shop, located in Stockbridge, Georgia. (Note: DEP PERKINS confirmed purchase of the handgun by DEP COBURN. Employee DANNY BURKETT provided the information of this purchase.)

July 8, 2022 – DEP PERKINS received the Glock 43 (S/N: AGMU290) from DEP COBURN as he resigned. DEP PERKINS noted the serial number did not appear similar to other HCSO firearms. DEP COBURN assured him it was the agency-issued weapon.

July 18, 2022 – DEP PERKINS verified the serial number did not match the HCSO weapons inventory. LT BEDFORD was informed of the discrepancy. LET BEDFORD contacted DEP COBURN who claimed the mix-up was an accident and he would search for the correct firearm.

July 19, 2022 – DEP COBURN handed in his notice of transfer to the Henry County Police Department. His final date of employment with HCSO was specified as July 22, 2022.

July 20, 2022 – DEP COBURN notified HCSO he was unable to locate the issued Glock 43 (S/N: AFVK928). DEP COBURN was instructed to file an incident report with the local law enforcement agency. The Glock 43 (S/N: AFVK928) was listed as stolen/lost on GCIC.

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July 21, 2022 – HCSO received a copy of the incident report (Coweta County SO: 22-07000632).

A copy of the HCSO preliminary investigation is attached and should referred to for complete details.

**ATTACHMENTS**

OTHER HCSO Prelim Inv

[\(Attachments\)](#)

**ID DATA:**

**HENRY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE** (Previously Submitted)

SPECIAL AGENT STEPHANIE GRAHAM: 8/10/2022

sg: 8/10/2022

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**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
REGION 10  
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

**10-0035-23-23**

On Monday, August 22, 2022, at approximately 3:54pm, Special Agent (SA) STEPHANIE GRAHAM requested the body worn camera (BWC) video from the Coweta County Sheriff's Office (CCSO). This was in response to a Henry County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) request to investigate possible criminal activity of a prior employee, Deputy (DEP) JOSEPH COBURN.

CCSO Records' clerk, LaSHUNDA REED, provided the body worn camera (BWC) video and incident report from incident 22-07000632. This incident occurred Wednesday, July 20, 2022 as subject DEP JOSEPH COBURN reported his agency-issued Glock 43 (S/N: AFVK928) as missing.

SA GRAHAM reviewed the video and no new information was noted. DEP COBURN stated the gun was misplaced during his move from Henry County to Coweta County. The firearm was in a small, black safe and had not been seen in approximately six months.

A copy of the BWC video is attached.

A copy of the CCSO incident report is attached.

**ATTACHMENTS**

VIDEO Coweta SO BWC of COBURN

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INCIDENT REPORT Coweta SO Incident Report

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**COBURN, JOSEPH**

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

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SHARPSBURG, GA 30277

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

SPECIAL AGENT STEPHANIE GRAHAM: 8/22/2022

sg: 8/22/2022

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**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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**10-0035-23-23**

On Tuesday, August 16, 2022, at approximately 12:46pm, Special Agent Stephanie Graham contacted Investigator (INV) JAI ROBERTSTON with the Coweta County Sheriff's Office in order to obtain body worn camera video. This act was in response to a Henry County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) request to investigate possible criminal activity of a prior employee, Deputy (DEP) JOSEPH COBURN.

SA GRAHAM attempted to contact Investigator (INV) JAI ROBERTSON and place a request for the body worn camera (BWC) footage of Coweta County Sheriff's Office case 22-07000632. INV ROBERTSON was not available and a cellphone message was left, asking for a call back.

Investigation continues.

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**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
REGION 10  
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

**10-0035-23-23**

On Tuesday, September 27, 2022, at approximately 11:56am, Special Agent (SA) STEPHANIE GRAHAM contacted Captain (CAPT) MARC JOHNSON of the Henry County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) to provide a case update.

SA GRAHAM essentially provided the following information:

Subject DEP JOSEPH COBURN's legal representative, Attorney (ATNY) NATHANIEL BEVERLY stated COBURN will not be providing answers to the previously posed questions.

Since COBURN resigned from the Coweta DA's Office while under investigation, SA GRAHAM had informed the GA POST council of his actions. The council will open their own investigation and document the incident in their records.

SA GRAHAM asked whether HCSO desired to take out charges against DEP COBURN.

Nothing further.



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**HENRY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE** (Previously Submitted)

SPECIAL AGENT STEPHANIE GRAHAM: 10/3/2022

sg: 10/3/2022

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**10-0035-23-23**

On Wednesday, September 14, 2022, at approximately 5:00 p.m., SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE (SAC) WAYNE SMITH returned a call to Coweta Judicial Circuit DISTRICT ATTORNEY (DA) HERB CRANFORD. DA CRANFORD advised that he currently employs JOSEPH COBURN as an DA's Investigator and recently learned that CRAWFORD may be the subject of a GBI investigation. SAC SMITH agreed to research the issue and follow up the next day.

On Thursday, September 15, 2022, at approximately 3:15 p.m., SAC SMITH contact DA CRANFORD by phone. SAC SMITH advised DA CRANFORD about this preliminary review investigation. The investigation was discussed in general terms and it was decided that an administrative/employment inquiry should be conducted by his office. SAC Smith agreed to provide a copy of the face sheet and all investigative summaries prepared to date. DA CRANFORD stated he understood that the GBI preliminary review is active and could potentially result in criminal charges at some in the future. Immediately after the call, SAC SMITH emailed copies of the documents to DA CRANFORD.

**ID DATA:**

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SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE WAYNE SMITH: 9/15/2022

ws: 9/15/2022

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**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
REGION 10  
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**10-0035-23-23**

On Tuesday, September 20, 2022, at approximately 10:39am, Special Agent (SA) STEPHANIE GRAHAM communicated with Attorney (ATNY) NATHANIEL BEVERLY who is the acting legal representative of Deputy (DEP) JOESEPH COBURN. This act was in furtherance of a Henry County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) request to investigate possible criminal activity of their prior employee, DEP COBURN. Written questions were provided to ATNY BEVERLY for his client.

ATNY BEVERLY stated subject DEP COBURN was willing to provide answers to questions presented in a written format. SA GRAHAM submitted the following questions to ATNY BEVERLY's email address:

Do you [DEP COBURN] own personal firearm(s)? If so, please describe other weapons.

When did you [DEP COBURN] resign from Henry County Sheriff's department? Why?

When did you [DEP COBURN] move into the new residence?

What weapons (make/model/caliber) were issued to you [DEP COBURN] by the Henry County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) at the time of your resignation?

When did you [DEP COBURN] become aware the HCSO-issued Glock 43 was missing?

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What was the response of firearms instructor(s) at the time of re-qualifications?

When and where did you [DEP COBURN] purchase the Glock 43 handgun that you returned to Henry County upon your departure from the agency?

A copy of the email communication is attached.

**ATTACHMENTS**

E-MAIL(S) Written Questions Submitted to  
Subject

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**ID DATA:**

**BEVERLY, NATHAN** (Previously Submitted)

SPECIAL AGENT STEPHANIE GRAHAM: 9/28/2022  
sg: 9/28/2022

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**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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**10-0035-23-23**

On Monday, August 22, 2022, at approximately 2:23pm, Special Agent (SA) STEPHANIE GRAHAM was contacted requested body worn camera (BWC) video from the Coweta County Sheriff's Office (CCSO). This was in response to a Henry County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) request to investigate possible criminal activity of a prior employee, Deputy (DEP) JOSEPH COBURN.

SA GRAHAM contacted the records clerk and requested the BWC video from CCSO incident 22-07000632. This incident occurred Wednesday, July 20, 2022 as subject DEP JOSEPH COBURN reported his agency-issued Glock 43 (S/N: AFVK928).

Investigation continues.

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**COWETA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE** (Previously Submitted)

SPECIAL AGENT STEPHANIE GRAHAM: 8/22/2022

sg: 8/22/2022

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**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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**10-0035-23-23**

On July 29, 2022, at approximately 3:30pm, Special Agent (SA) STEPHANIE GRAHAM was assigned a preliminary investigation by Assistant Special Agent in Charge (ASAC) AMANDA CARTER.

SA GRAHAM was advised resigning Deputy (DEP) JOESEPH COBURN with the Henry County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) had turned in a Glock 43 handgun, claiming it was his agency-assigned firearm. It was determined the weapon was not an assigned firearm.

Deputy Chief MICHAEL YARBROUGH reviewed the documentation for DEP COBURN's agency-assigned handgun and noted further discrepancies. DEP Chief YARBROUGH expressed concerns regarding theft of the Glock 43 and falsification of official records.

Investigation continues.

SPECIAL AGENT STEPHANIE GRAHAM: 8/2/2022

sg: 8/10/2022

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**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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**10-0035-23-23**

On Tuesday, September 27, 2022, at approximately 4:00pm, Special Agent (SA) STEPHANIE GRAHAM communicated with Attorney (ATNY) NATHANIEL BEVERLY, the legal representative for Deputy (DEP) JOESEPH COBURN. This act was in furtherance of a Henry County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) request to investigate possible criminal activity of their prior employee, DEP COBURN. Written questions were previously provided to ATNY BEVERLY for his client's response. The questions were emailed September 20, 2022. SA GRAHAM did not receive a response to the initial email nor a follow-up message sent September 23, 2022. SA GRAHAM was attempting to contact ATNY BEVERLY again.

SA GRAHAM spoke to ATNY NATHANIEL BEVERLY via phone, who essentially stated the following:

ATNY BEVERLY voiced concern that answering the written questions were not in the best interest of his client. DEP COBURN was declining to provide a statement at this time. Furthermore, ATNY BEVERLY was attempting to deliver a money order to the Henry County Sheriff's Office for payment of the missing Glock 43 firearm.

Nothing further.



**ID DATA:**

**BEVERLY, NATHAN** (Previously Submitted)

**COBURN, JOSEPH**

SEX/RACE: MALE/WHITE

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

SHARPSBURG, GA 30277

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

SPECIAL AGENT STEPHANIE GRAHAM: 9/28/2022

sg: 9/28/2022

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**FINAL INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

On Wednesday, January 4, 2023, at approximately 2:09pm, Special Agent (SA) STEPHANIE GRAHAM was contacted by Investigator (INV) JAMIE CABE. This act was regarding the missing Glock 43 firearm issued to subject Deputy (DEP) JOESEPH COBURN by the Henry County Sheriff's Office.

Investigator (INV) JAMIE CABE confirmed he would be lead regarding the continuing investigation of DEP JOSEPH COBURN for the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council (POST). The contact information for INV CABE was relayed to Captain (CAP) MARC JOHNSON.

All investigative acts are complete and DEP COBURN refused to provide a statement. Per Henry County Sheriff's Office CAP JOHNSON, the requesting agency does not currently wish to press charges.

SA GRAHAM requests the case be closed.

SPECIAL AGENT STEPHANIE GRAHAM: 1/9/2023

sg: 1/9/2023

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**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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**10-0035-23-23**

On Monday, August 22, 2022, at approximately 9:23am, Special Agent (SA) STEPHANIE GRAHAM was contacted by Attorney (ATNY) NATHAN BEVERLY. This was in response to a Henry County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) request to investigate possible criminal activity of a prior employee, Deputy (DEP) JOSEPH COBURN.

ATNY NATHAN BEVERLY was obtained by Deputy (DEP) JOSEPH COBURN for legal representation.

ATNY BEVERLY advised that DEP COBURN would not willing to interview. A previously scheduled interview appointment for later that day, at 1:00pm, was canceled. ATNY BEVERLY stated written questions could be submitted through him and DEP COBURN may provide written responses.

Investigation continues.

**ID DATA:**

**BEVERLY, NATHAN**

SEX/RACE: MALE/

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

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SPECIAL AGENT STEPHANIE GRAHAM: 8/22/2022

sg: 8/22/2022

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**10-0035-23-23**

On Thursday, October 20, 2022, Special Agent (SA) STEPHANIE GRAHAM reviewed the response of Captain (CPT) MARC JOHNSON to inquiries of whether Henry County Sheriff's Office wanted to take out charges against Deputy (DEP) JOSEPH COBURN.

Captain MARC JOHNSON stated the Henry County Sheriff's County command staff do not wish to press charges against Deputy JOSEPH COBURN.

Nothing further.

**ID DATA:**

**HENRY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE** (Previously Submitted)

SPECIAL AGENT STEPHANIE GRAHAM: 10/20/2022

sg: 10/20/2022

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**10-0035-23-23**

On Saturday, October 8, 2022, at approximately 2:10pm, Special Agent (SA) STEPHANIE GRAHAM received and reviewed an update email sent by Captain (CPT) MARC JOHNSON with the Henry County Sheriff's Office (HCSO).

CPT MARC JOHNSON replied to an email from SA GRAHAM questioning whether HCSO command staff would like to pursue criminal charges against subject Deputy (DEP) JOSEPH COBURN.

CPT JOHNSON stated HCSO command staff were still pending a decision.

Nothing further.

**ID DATA:**

**HENRY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE** (Previously Submitted)

SPECIAL AGENT STEPHANIE GRAHAM: 10/17/2022

sg: 10/17/2022

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**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
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**10-0035-23-23**

On August 10, 2022, Special Agent Stephanie Graham reviewed the Coweta County Sheriff's Office incident report regarding the agency-assigned Glock 43 (S/N: AFVK928). This act was in response to an Henry County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) request to investigate possible criminal activity of a prior employee, Deputy (DEP) JOSEPH COBURN.

Upon his resignation, Deputy (DEP) JOSEPH COBURN had returned a firearm that did not match the Henry County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) inventory. DEP COBURN was unable to locate his agency-assigned Glock 43 (S/N: AFVK928) and was instructed by supervisor(s) to make a missing/stolen gun report to his local law enforcement agency.

DEP COBURN made a report to the Coweta County Sheriff's Office (CCSO Case: 22-07000632) on Wednesday, July 20, 2022 at approximately 8:12pm. CCSO DEP WHEAT (ID: 500582) made the report and took DEP COBURN's statement, which essentially provided the following information:

DEP COBURN stated the Glock 43 (S/N: AFVK928) was usually secured in a gun safe and he rarely used the back-up weapon. DEP COBURN lost track of the safe and firearm during his move to a new home approximately six (6) to seven (7) months ago.

DEP COBURN had no recollection of seeing the handgun since his move. DEP COBURN did not realize the safe/firearm was missing until he began returning property to HCSO.

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The Glock 43 (S/N: AFVK928) was entered into GCIC/NCIC as missing.

CCSO DEP WHEAT had his body worn camera activated.

A copy of the incident report is attached.

**ATTACHMENTS**

INCIDENT REPORT Coweta Co SO Incident  
Report

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sg: 8/11/2022

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**GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
REGION 10  
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY**

**10-0035-23-23**

On August 31, 2022, at approximately 1:00pm, Special Agent (SA) STEPHANIE GRAHAM reviewed the e-Trace and LiNX search regarding the missing Glock 43 firearm issued to subject Deputy (DEP) JOESEPH COBURN by the Henry County Sheriff's Office.

An e-Trace was performed for the make, model, and serial number of the missing Glock 43 firearm (S/N: AFVK928). The e-Trace yielded no additional information, only indicating the firearm was sold to Henry County Sheriff's Office.

A LiNX (Law Enforcement Information Exchange) query was performed using parameters make, model, and serial number of the missing Glock 43 firearm (S/N: AFVK928). LiNX is an advanced information sharing system and analytical data warehouse containing information from participating state and local law enforcement agencies located within a regional system. The database can be used to search the sells/purchases of some regional pawn shops.

The LiNX query did not yield data indicating the Glock 43 was purchased or sold by pawn shops within the database.

A copy of the e-Trace is attached.

**ATTACHMENTS**

OTHER e-Trace Results

[\(Attachments\)](#)

SPECIAL AGENT STEPHANIE GRAHAM: 9/28/2022  
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