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## **ACPO PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Paul J. Roberts Indicted for Aggravated Murder of his father Paul E. Roberts**

Paul J. Roberts, age 41, of Glouster, Ohio, who is currently incarcerated in the Southeastern Ohio Regional Jail, was indicted by the September Term of the Athens County Grand Jury on October 28, 2013, for nine (9) Felony counts:

1. One (1) count of Aggravated Murder; a Special Felony.
2. One (1) count of Murder; a Special Felony.
3. One (1) count of Gross Abuse of a Corpse; a fifth degree Felony.
4. One (1) count of Tampering with Evidence; a third degree Felony.
5. One (1) count of Intimidation of an Attorney, Victim, or Witness in a Criminal Case; a third degree Felony.
6. One (1) count of Grand Theft of a Vehicle; a fourth degree Felony.
7. One (1) count of Theft; a fifth degree Felony.
8. One (1) count of Theft of an Elderly Person or Disabled Adult; a fourth degree Felony.
9. One (1) count of Vandalism; a fifth degree Felony.

Paul J. Roberts was also indicted today, Monday, October 28, 2013 on a prior charge for one count of Prohibited Acts Involving Certificates of Title; an unclassified Felony.

Athens County Prosecutor Keller Blackburn said today in a Press Conference that Paul J. Roberts is accused of murdering his father Paul E. Roberts, age 63 and putting his body in a well under the porch at 68 Locust Street, Glouster, which was the deceased's resident. Roberts also stole his father's 2004 Jeep Liberty, John Deere riding lawnmower, and credit card.

Blackburn also reported the investigation will continue and additional charges are possible.

This case was investigated by the Glouster Police Department with the assistance of The Athens

County Prosecutors Office, BCI, Athens Police Department, Athens Fire Department and the Ohio University Police Department.