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## **PRESS RELEASE**

From: Keller J. Blackburn, Athens County Prosecuting Attorney

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### ***FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE***

On the evening of Friday, October 18, 2013, the Glouster Police Department responded to a report of Vandalism at 68 Locust Street in Glouster. While on the scene, Glouster Police arrested Paul J. Roberts, age 40, and he was charged with one (1) count of Vandalism, which is a Felony of the fifth degree. Roberts is currently being housed at the Southeastern Ohio Regional Jail.

Saturday, October 19, 2013 the Glouster Police Department with the assistance of the Athens County Prosecutor's Office, and the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigations and Identification began an investigation into the whereabouts of Paul E. Roberts, who happens to reside at 68 Locust Street, Glouster, Ohio.

Search warrants were executed on Saturday, October 19, 2013 and again on Monday, October 21, 2013 at 68 Locust Street, Glouster, Ohio. The Athens County Prosecutors Office, the BCI, The Glouster Police Department, Athens Police Department, Athens Fire Department and Ohio University Police Department all assisted in the search and a body was recovered from underneath the back porch of the 68 Locust Street residence on Monday, October 21, 2013.

Prosecutor Keller Blackburn reports that Paul E. Roberts was last seen more than two (2) weeks ago. Paul E. Roberts' 2004 Black Jeep Liberty has been improperly transported from September 23, 2013 to October 19, 2013. A search is underway and the vehicle is believed to be in the Columbus, Ohio area.

This case is still under investigation. However, persons/person has been identified.

