## PINELLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BUREAU INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE:

February 5, 2025

TO:

Distribution

FROM:

Captain Robert Osterland

Professional Standards Bureau

SUBJECT:

Sheriff's Finding

Per Sheriff Gualtieri, Deputy Yunior Montero, #59800, will receive the following as a result of AI 24-018:

1. A forty (40) hour Suspension, reduced to sixteen (16) hours. The remaining twenty-four (24) hours will be imposed if there is any substantiated discipline within a one-year period from January 31, 2025. The 16-hour Suspension will be satisfied through the forfeiture of accrued leave.

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## PINELLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**DATE: JANUARY 31, 2025** 

TO: DEPUTY YUNIOR MONTERO, #59800

FROM: SHERIFF BOB GUALTIERI

SUBJECT: CHARGES RE: AI 24-018

An investigation has been conducted by the Administrative Investigation Division, Professional Standards Bureau, of the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office. As a result of this investigation, the Administrative Review Board has determined you committed the following violation:

On, but not limited to, October 28, 2024, while on duty in Pinellas County, Florida, you violated the Pinellas County Sheriff's Civil Service Act Laws of Florida, 89-404 as amended by Laws of Florida 08-285, Section 6, Subsection 4, by violating the provisions of law or the rules, regulations, and operating procedures of the Office of the Sheriff.

1. You violated Pinellas County Sheriff's Office General Order 3-1.1, Rules and Regulations 5.4, Duties and Responsibilities.

Synopsis: On October 28, 2024, while on duty as a bailiff at the Pinellas County Criminal Justice Complex, you served as the secondary bailiff in Courtroom 6. Your responsibilities included maintaining situational awareness of individuals entering or leaving the gallery, escorting in-custody defendants to the podium, and ensuring courtroom security during judicial proceedings.

While court was in session, your supervisor entered Courtroom 6 and observed you leaning on the podium with your hand blocking your face, obstructing your view of the gallery. Without your awareness, your supervisor approached and saw you watching fishing videos on YouTube.

Your inattention violated your core duties, which include conducting surveillance inside the courtroom, maintaining order, and managing prisoners, litigants, and spectators to ensure security. By failing to remain vigilant, you compromised the safety of the public, attorneys, and the presiding judge. Additionally, your actions disregarded established courtroom security protocols, which require deputies to maintain their assigned posts and remain focused on proceedings.

You admitted to the violation.

Disciplinary Points and Recommended Discipline Range:

You were found to be in violation of one (1) Level Five Rules and Regulations violation totaling fifty (50) points. These points, which were affected by zero (0) points from previous discipline, resulted in fifty (50) progressive discipline points. At this point level, the recommended discipline range is from a forty (40) hour Suspension to Termination.

Disciplinary action shall be consistent with progressive discipline, for cause in accordance with the provisions of the Pinellas County Civil Service Act.

Major Deanna Carey

Judicial Operations Bureau For Bob Gualtieri, Sheriff

I have received a copy:

Date

Time

Member's Signature

BG:JLW:blb