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

**DATE:** OCTOBER 25, 2018

TO: DISTRIBUTION

FROM: CAPTAIN RAY WHITELEY  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{W}}$ 

Professional Standards Bureau

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S FINDING

Per Sheriff Gualtieri, Classification Specialist Michael Wallner, #59498, received the following as a result of AI-18-024:

### 1. Written Reprimand

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Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

Chief Deputy Dan Simovich

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# PINELLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE:

**OCTOBER 22, 2018** 

TO:

CLASSIFICATION SPECIALIST MICHAEL WALLNER, #59498

FROM:

SHERIFF BOB GUALTIERI

SUBJECT: CHARGES RE: AI-18-024

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, May 5, 2018 through May 14, 2018, while off-duty, 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 3-1.3, Rule and Regulation 3.41 Use of Tobacco Products.

Synopsis: While completing the background process through the Human Resources Bureau, to transfer from a non-sworn position to a sworn position, you were questioned about your use of tobacco products.

You admitted, during this questioning, to smoking a cigar while on a cruise between May 5, 2018 and May 14, 2018. You were aware that the use of tobacco products is a violation of agency policy, if hired on or after October 1, 2004.

You have been employed as a member of the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office since May 30, 2017.

During the Administrative Interview you made the following admissions:

- You admitted, "I did have a cigar with my fiancé on the cruise."
- You admitted, "I remember getting the cigar in the beginning. We didn't actually smoke it until the last day."
- You admitted, "I was aware of the policy."

The Administrative Review Board determined you committed this violation.

# Disciplinary Points and Recommended Discipline Range:

You were found to be in violation of one (1) Level 3 Rule and Regulation totaling fifteen (15) points. At this point level, recommended discipline ranges are from Written Reprimand to three (3) days Suspension.

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

COLONEL DAVID DANZIG

DEPARTMENT OF DETENTION AND CORRECTIONS

FOR BOB GUALTIERI, SHERIFF

I have received a copy:

SIGNATURE

Date

10/25/18

Time

0830

BG:WGS:kmm