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

DATE: DECEMBER 19, 2016

TO: DISTRIBUTION

FROM: CAPTAIN RAY WHITELEY RW

Professional Standards Bureau

SUBJECT: AI-16-025 SHERIFF'S FINDING

Per Sheriff Gualtieri, Inmate Records Manager Stephannie Watson, #55932, will receive the following as a result of AI-16-025:

1. Eight (8) hours Suspension to be served on:

December 22, 2016.

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DATE: DECEMBER 19, 2016

TO: INMATE RECORDS MANAGER STEPHANNIE WATSON, #55932

FROM: SHERIFF BOB GUALTIERI

SUBJECT: CHARGES RE: AI-16-025

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:

Between August 2015 and October 14, 2016, while on and off 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 3-1.3, Rule and Regulation 3.40, Associating with Married Members.

Between August 2015 and October 14, 2016, you engaged in a sexual relationship with your immediate supervisor. During the timeframe of this relationship, you were both married to non-agency members. These sexual encounters did not take place on Pinellas County Sheriff's Office property.

During this investigation and during the Administrative Review Board you admitted this sexual relationship was voluntary and mutual. You admitted you were not pressured into this relationship by the other member.

The original complainant who brought this information forward stated that this relationship caused "disruptions and distractions" in the work place. You were involved in this relationship with your direct supervisor, while you were also in a supervisory position. There was testimony, while you and your supervisor spent excessive amounts of time in an office together, those who you were supervising did not feel they could come to either of you, for proper guidance.

You admitted to this violation.

<u>Disciplinary Points and Recommended Discipline Range:</u>

You were found to have violated one (1) Level Three Rule/Regulation totaling fifteen (15) points. These points, which were affected by no modified points from previous discipline, resulted in fifteen (15) progressive discipline points. At this point level, the recommended discipline ranges from a 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.

CAPTAIN RAY WHITELEY

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BUREAU

FOR BOB GUALTIERI, SHERIFF

I have received a copy:

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