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

DATE:

DECEMBER 21, 2016

TO:

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FROM:

CAPTAIN RAY WHITELEY RW

Professional Standards Bureau

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S FINDING

Per Sheriff Gualtieri, Inmate Records Specialist I Heather Higgins, #59255, will receive the following as a result of AI-16-028:

- 1. Educational Based Discipline: A review of Applicable Protocols, Policies and Standard Operating Procedures.
- 2. Notation of incident to be placed in Performance Management Plus (PMP).

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PINELLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: DECEMBER 16, 2016

TO: INMATE RECORDS SPECIALIST I HEATHER HIGGINS, #59255

FROM: SHERIFF BOB GUALTIERI

SUBJECT: CHARGES RE: AI-16-028

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 October 18, 2016, 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 3-1.3, Rule and Regulation 3.4(d), Performance of Duty.

Synopsis: While assigned to Inmate Records, you were responsible for receiving, reviewing and acting on documentation received through criminal court records. On October 18, 2016, you received and failed to take action on court paperwork documenting a No-Information filed, authorizing the release of an inmate at the Pinellas County Jail.

Your failure to take action resulted in the inmate remaining in custody for an additional six (6) days.

Disciplinary Points and Recommended Discipline Range:

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.

COLONEL PAUL HALLE

DEPARTMENT OF DETENTION AND CORRECTIONS

FOR BOB GUALTIERI, SHERIFF

I have received a copy:

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