

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

**DATE:** FEBRUARY 21, 2024  
**TO:** DISTRIBUTION  
**FROM:** CAPTAIN ROBERT OSTERLAND <sup>PO</sup>  
Professional Standards Bureau  
**SUBJECT:** SHERIFF'S FINDING

Per Sheriff Gualtieri, Deputy Vito Calderone, #57545, will receive the following as a result of AI-23-029:

1. A forty (40) hour Suspension. This forty (40) hour Suspension is suspended as long as there is no other substantiated Level 5 discipline for one (1) year from the date of this memorandum. If there is substantiated discipline, then the forty (40) hours will become eighty (80) hours and reimposed.

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Deputy Vito Calderone

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

**DATE: FEBRUARY 16, 2024**

**TO: DEPUTY VITO CALDERONE, #57545**

**FROM: SHERIFF BOB GUALTIERI**

**SUBJECT: CHARGES RE: AI-23-029**

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, but not limited to, September 13, 2023, through October 25, 2023, 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, Rule and Regulation 5.4, Duties and Responsibilities.

Synopsis: Between September 13, 2023, and October 25, 2023, after your August 13, 2023, transfer from the Oldsmar Traffic Unit, you failed to attend nineteen (19) traffic court hearings, for which you were properly subpoenaed. These hearings resulted from traffic citations you issued while assigned to the Oldsmar Traffic Unit. As a result of your failure to attend these hearings, each case was dismissed.

During your Administrative Interview, you admitted that you were aware agency policy designates a subpoena as a lawful order and that attendance at judicial proceedings is required for all agency members.

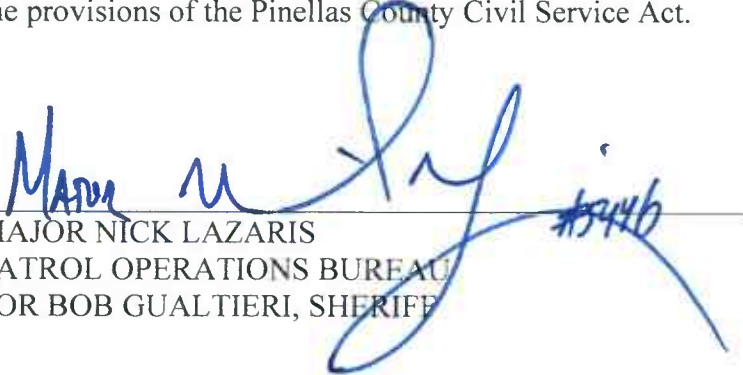
During your Administrative Interview and the Administrative Review Board, you admitted that you made a conscious decision to skip each hearing because you were upset about being transferred out of the Oldsmar Traffic Unit. Additionally, you admitted that you failed to notify your supervisor and the courts that you would not be present for these hearings.

You admitted to this violation.

Disciplinary Points and Recommended Discipline Range:

You were found to be in violation of one (1) Level Five Rules and Regulation violation, totaling fifty (50) points. These points, which were affected by no modified points from previous discipline, resulted in fifty (50) progressive discipline points. At this point level, the recommended discipline range is 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 NICK LAZARIS  
PATROL OPERATIONS BUREAU  
FOR BOB GUALTIERI, SHERIFF

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