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

DATE:

AUGUST 25, 2020

TO:

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FROM:

CAPTAIN RAY WHITELEY RW

Professional Standards Bureau

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S FINDING

Per Sheriff Gualtieri, Inmate Records Specialist James Grenewicz, #59382, will receive the following as a result of AI-19-022:

1. Forty (40) hours Suspension to be served on:

September 8, 9, 14, 15 and 16, 2020 (8 hrs/day).

Seven (7) days Suspension reduced to a five (5) day Suspension providing the member has no other substantiated complaints for one (1) year from this date.

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PINELLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: AUGUST 21, 2020

TO: INMATE RECORDS SPECIALIST JAMES GRENEWICZ, #59382

FROM: SHERIFF BOB GUALTIERI

SUBJECT: CHARGES RE: AI-19-022

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, November 14, 2019, while 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 3-1.1, Rule and Regulation 5.5, Obedience to Laws and Ordinances.

On November 14, 2019, while off-duty and a patron of a bar in the city of Safety Harbor, you observed a physical altercation between two (2) subjects. You placed your hand on a security employee's shoulder to get past him in an attempt to intervene. This resulted in you becoming involved in the physical altercation.

As a result of the incident, eight (8) Pinellas County Sheriff's Office Deputies responded to the location for a disturbance. The only physical description of the suspect involved matched yours. As deputies began to arrive, you were observed chasing a subject in the parking lot.

During witness testimony provided by responding deputies, one (1) deputy testified he observed you running towards and then kicking a subject that had fallen to the ground. A second deputy testified he observed you running towards another subject and attempt to strike that subject with your fist.

Despite being given several lawful orders to stop, you attempted to flee on foot which resulted in a deputy tackling you to the ground. There, you physically resisted deputies' attempts to secure you in handcuffs by pinning your arms underneath your body, refusing to release your arms, kicking your legs and struggling to pull away.

During your active resistance, deputies used several techniques in an attempt to gain your compliance. A deputy used pain compliance on your elbow which had no effect. Another deputy struck you twice in your left rib cage, which also had no effect. The same deputy used an electronic control weapon, which also had no effect. You informed the deputies the electronic control weapon did not work on you, and you continued to physically resist arrest.

In addition to your physical resistance, you identified yourself as an agency member of the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office by stating, "I'm one of you guys," and, "I'm with the Sheriff's Office," along with repeatedly announcing your identifying employee number. This was done in the presence of other bar patrons and citizens who were in close proximity to the location of your arrest.

It took the actions of five (5) deputies to ultimately gain control of you and secure you in handcuffs.

Five (5) deputies testified you were intoxicated during this incident. You also admitted you were intoxicated.

You were subsequently arrested and charged with Disorderly Intoxication and Resisting an Officer Without Violence. During court proceedings, you acknowledged and accepted responsibility for the crimes you were charged with and were admitted to a Pre-Trial Intervention Program.

You admitted to this violation.

2. You violated Pinellas County Sheriff's Office General Order 3-1.3, Rule and Regulation 3.1, Standard of Conduct.

On November 14, 2019, you were involved in an incident which was investigated by the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office. As a result, probable cause was developed and you were arrested for Disorderly Intoxication and Resisting an Officer Without Violence.

Your arrest, as a result of this incident, brought discredit to the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office.

You admitted to this violation.

Disciplinary Points and Recommended Discipline Range:

You were found to be in violation of one (1) Level Five Rule/Regulation, totaling fifty (50) points and one (1) Level Three Rule/Regulation totaling fifteen (15) points. This point total, affected by no carryover points from previous discipline, resulted in sixty-five (65) progressive discipline points. According to policy, this point total reverts to sixty (60) and recommended discipline is seven (7) days 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.

COLONEL SEAN MCGILLEN

DEPARTMENT OF DETENTION AND CORRECTIONS

FOR BOB GUALTIERI, SHERIFF

I have received a copy:

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