

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

**DATE:**        **NOVEMBER 28, 2016**

**TO:**           **DISTRIBUTION**

**FROM:**       **CAPTAIN RAY WHITELEY <sup>RW</sup>**  
                  **Professional Standards Bureau**

**SUBJECT:**   **AI-16-021 SHERIFF'S FINDING**

Per Sheriff Gualtieri, Lieutenant James Bordner, #52792, will receive the following as a result of AI-16-021:

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

November 29, 2016.

**DISTRIBUTION:**

Sheriff Bob Gualtieri  
Chief Deputy Dan Simovich  
Assistant Chief Deputy Sean Jowell  
Assistant Chief Deputy George Steffen  
Colonel Paul Halle  
Major Stefanie Campbell  
Major Dave Danzig  
Major Bill Hagans  
Major Lora Smith  
Major Rich Nalven  
Captain Dennis Fowler  
Director Jennifer Crockett  
Director Nancy Duggan  
Director Susan Krause  
Director Jason Malpass  
Director Julie Upman  
Shannon Lockheart, General Counsel  
Payroll  
Purchasing-Uniform Supply  
Lieutenant James Bordner

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**PINELLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
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**DATE:**        **NOVEMBER 18, 2016**

**TO:**           **LIEUTENANT JAMES BORDNER, #52792**

**FROM:**       **SHERIFF BOB GUALTIERI**

**SUBJECT:**   **CHARGES RE: AI-16-021**

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, September 7, 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 General Order 3-1.3, Rule and Regulation 3.31(g), Inappropriate Conduct by Members of the Agency.

Synopsis: On September 7, 2016, a Sergeant, under your command, engaged in a high speed pursuit, in violation of agency policy. You failed to terminate the pursuit which contradicted guidelines.

Specifically, at approximately 0140 hours, a vehicle fled from a traffic stop attempted by a deputy in the area of U.S. 19 and Republic Drive. The deputy advised via radio of criminal charges, which would not, by policy, authorize the initiation of a pursuit. Per guidelines, the deputy also advised that he was not in pursuit.

Within approximately 12 minutes, the sergeant under your supervision, located and began to actively pursue the vehicle, providing its location and status via radio. The unauthorized pursuit of this vehicle lasted 24 minutes and traveled 31.6 miles into the city of Tampa.

During the pursuit, video evidence confirmed multiple deputies, attempting to assist in the unauthorized incident, traveling at speeds of over 100 MPH, through intersections, with and without emergency equipment, lights and sirens, in multiple areas of the county. Although not actively engaged in the pursuit, you acknowledged traveling at speeds in excess of 100 MPH during the incident.


This pursuit did not involve a forcible felony, an enumerated crime, an imminent and/or continuous threat, or extremely dangerous driving as required by policy. You were the supervisor responsible for member's actions and acknowledged this during testimony, however you failed to terminate this unauthorized pursuit.

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 Three Rule and Regulations violation totaling fifteen (15) points. At this point level, the recommended discipline range is 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.



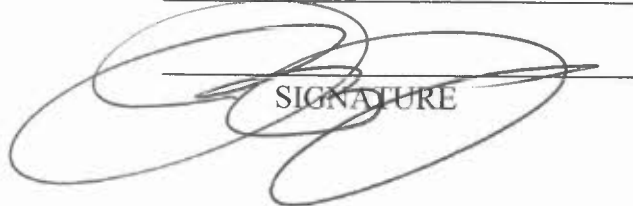
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FOR BOB GUALTIERI, SHERIFF

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