Florida Department of Corrections



Office of the Inspector General

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION INVESTIGATIVE ASSIST Case # 14-6728







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Inspector: Inspector George W. Green Jr.

Date Assigned or Initiated: 08/27/2014

Complaint Against: Inmate lanuzzi, Richard #740594

Location of Incident - Institution/Facility/Office: Florida State Prison

Complainant: Captain Charles Combs

Use of Force Number: 14-6619

PREA Number: NA

Confidential Medical Information Included: X Yes No

Whistle-Blower Investigation: Yes X No

Equal Employment Opportunity Investigation: Yes X No

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I. AUTHORITY

The Florida Department of Corrections, Office of the Inspector General, by designation of the Secretary and § 944.31, Florida Statutes, is authorized to conduct any criminal investigation that occurs on property owned or leased by the department or involves matters over which the department has jurisdiction.

The testimony references included in this report are summations of oral or written statements provided to inspectors. Statements contained herein do not necessarily represent complete or certified transcribed testimony, except as noted. Unless specifically indicated otherwise, all interviews with witnesses, complainants, and subjects were audio or video recorded.

II. METHODOLOGY

The investigation reviewed the derivations of the allegation advanced by the complainant. The scope of this investigation does not seek to specifically address tort(s), but violations of criminal statutes. The criterion used to evaluate each contention or allegation was limited to the following standard of analysis:

1. Did the subject's action or behavior violate Florida criminal statutes?

III. ANALYSIS

The standard and analysis in this investigation is predicated with the burden of proving any violation of law, established by probable cause. The evidence considered for analysis is confined to the facts and allegations stated or reasonably implied. The actions or behavior of the subject are presumed to be lawful and in compliance with the applicable Florida law, unless probable cause indicates the contrary.

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IV. DEFINITIONS

Unfounded:

Refers to a disposition of a criminal case for which probable cause does not exist to suggest the suspect's behavior or action occurred nor is an arrest or formal charge being initiated.

Closed by Arrest:

Refers to a disposition of a criminal case for which probable cause exists that an identified subject committed the offense and one for which an arrest or formal prosecution has been initiated.

Exceptionally Cleared:

Refers to a disposition of a criminal case for which probable cause exists that an identified suspect committed the offense, but one for which an arrest or formal charge is not initiated, or in the case of a death investigation, one for which no evidence exists that the death was the result of a crime or neglect.

Open-Inactive:

Refers to a disposition of a criminal case for which a criminal investigation commenced, but where evidence is insufficient to close as unfounded, closed by arrest, or exceptionally cleared.

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V. PREDICATE

| On May 24, 2014, Captain Charles Combs reported that a cell extraction team was utilized to bring Inmate Iannuzzi, Richard #740594, into compliance with a lawful command. Due to Inmate Iannuzzi's , EAC Duty Officer Johnson was notified. At approximately 11:41 PM, Captain Combs received a call from Frank Youssaf and informed him that Inmate Iannuzzi had been pronounced deceased. District 5 On-Call Inspector, George Green, corresponded with the state On-Supervisor, Katouree Jackson who contacted FDLE. FDLE responded officers Florida State Prison. FDLE |
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| assumed lead in this investigation with case # JA-37-0004. |
| VI. SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS |
| Based on the exhibits, witnesses' testimony, subject officer's statements, and the record as a whole, presented or available to the primary inspector, the following findings of facts were determined: |
| FDLE Special Agent David Maurer completed FDLE Case #JA-37-0004 in a closing IR in which he documents a letter received from State Attorney William Cervone and closing the case. State Attorney Cervone stated, "Based on my review of all matters that have been presented to my office, it is apparent that Inmate lannuzzi died as a result to While it is impossible to say when or under what circumstances he was able to procure those substances and there is no evidence to suggest any criminal responsibility on the part of any Department of Corrections employee." Based on this statement from State Attorney Cervone, Special Agent Maurer ceased all investigative activity and closed this case. |
| The autopsy indicated that the probable cause of death was basically a The manner of death was listed as accidental |
| It is my recommendation that this case be closed and no further investigative activity is required. |
| VII. CHARGES List alleged violations of Florida Law: |
| NA . |

VIII. CONCLUSION

Base on the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's investigative findings that Inmate lanuzzi died as a result of this investigative assist is closed as Exceptionally Cleared.

During the course of this investigation there were no administrative issues observed.

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