

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL
INVESTIGATIVE REPORT**

PREDICATE:

At approximately 2:00 AM, September 11, 2014, Officer Adam Ault discovered Inmate Mark Nicholls, DC# J52677 in cell H1221 at Columbia Correctional Institution (CCI), with a sheet tied around his neck and hanging from the upper bunk. Inmate Nicholls [REDACTED] and pronounced deceased [REDACTED] at 2:35 AM.

This incident is being investigated by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), Special Agent Lawrence Perez (*Agent Perez*). Inspector Peter Lindboe has been assigned to assist.

NARRATIVE:

On December 11, 2014, Agent Perez delivered a copy of his completed report to me. The report indicated the Medical Examiner listed Inmate Nicholls manner of death as suicide and cause of death as [REDACTED]. The report also stated, Assistant State Attorney John Durrett had reviewed the case material and declined to prosecute this case, as he concluded there was, "No indication of criminal activity, either directly or via culpable negligence, to justify the filing of formal charges" in this case.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended this Investigative Assist be closed as the manner of death has been determined to be suicide and FDLE has closed the primary investigation.