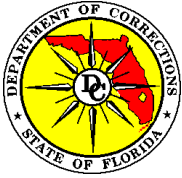


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**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION
INVESTIGATIVE ASSIST
Case # 14-16609**

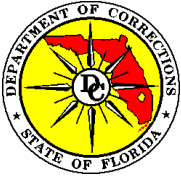


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Case Number: 14-16609

Inspector: Inspector Darla Henderson

Date Assigned or Initiated: 12-26-2014

Complaint Against: N/A

Location of Incident – Institution/Facility/Office: Santa Rosa Correctional Institution

Complainant: N/A

Use of Force Number: N/A

PREA Number: N/A

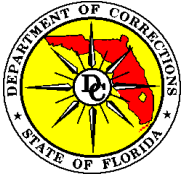
Classification of Incident: Inmate Death (*Suicide*)

Confidential Medical Information Included: Yes No

Whistle-Blower Investigation: Yes No

Equal Employment Opportunity Investigation: Yes No

Chief Inspector General Case Number: N/A



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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.

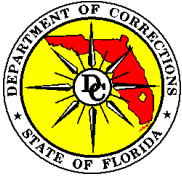
II. METHODOLOGY

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:

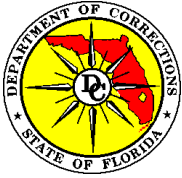
Refers to a disposition of a criminal case for which probable cause exists that an identified subject committed the offense and one for which an arrest or formal prosecution has been initiated.

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 or about December 26, 2014, the Department of Corrections Office of the Inspector General received information indicating on December 26, 2014, at 12:01 a.m., Inmate Archie Hauck DC# P10870 was found hanging by his neck in cell B5-209, at Blackwater River Correctional Facility (BRCF). Inmate Hauck was removed from his homemade noose [REDACTED] to BRCF. At 12:22 a.m., Inmate Hauck was declared deceased [REDACTED]. On December 26, 2014, the on call Inspector Supervisor contacted Inspector Darla Henderson with instructions to respond to Blackwater River Correctional Facility and investigate the death of Inmate Hauck. On December 26, 2014 at approximately 1:15 a.m., Inspector Darla Henderson responded as instructed and initiated an investigation in conjunction with Special Agents from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE).

VI. SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS

Based on the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's investigation, with the assistance of Inspector Henderson, exhibits, witnesses' testimony, and the record as a whole, the following findings of facts were determined:

On December 29, 2014, FDLE Special Agent Heather Bennett submitted an investigative demand to Inspector Henderson for all records and information relevant and material to the death of Inmate Hauck.

On February 6, 2015, Inspector Henderson made contact with FDLE Special Agent Heather Bennett regarding the progress of FDLE case # PE-37-0013 involving the death of Inmate Archie Hauck.

Special Agent Bennett indicated case # PE-37-0013 should be closed relatively soon. Special Agent Bennett indicated she would provide Inspector Henderson with a copy of the case report once it was closed.

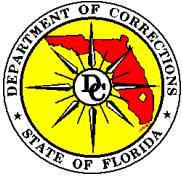
On February 12, 2015, FDLE Special Agent Bennett provided Inspector Henderson with a copy of case # PE-37-0013 closed case summary report detailing the investigation into Inmate Hauck's death.

Documented in Special Agent Bennett's report is the Medical Examiner identified the cause of Inmate Hauck's [REDACTED] the manner of his death as Suicide.

"This investigation found no violations of Florida Administrative Code or Department of Corrections procedures."

VII. CHARGES

- N/A



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VIII. CONCLUSION

Based on the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's investigative findings that Inmate Hauck's death was a suicide, this investigative assist is closed:

- **Exceptionally Cleared**