## Florida Department of Corrections



## Office of the Inspector General

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION INVESTIGATIVE ASSIST CASE # 18-15779





## **INVESTIGATIVE ASSIST SUMMARY REPORT**

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Case Number:	18-15779
OIG Inspector:	Senior Inspector Chip Potter
Outside Agency:	Florida Department of Law Enforcement
Outside Agency Investigator:	Special Agent Ryan Bunton
Date Assigned or Initiated:	09-20-2018
Complaint Against:	Inmate Aaron Luna DC# K76648 Inmate Bosichel Radford DC# X38874 Inmate Santrell Greene DC# X69688 Inmate Dominique Glover DC# H45362
Location of Incident – Institution/Facility/Office:	Columbia Correctional Institution
Complainant:	Officer Stacey Oliver
Outside Agency Case #:	
Use of Force Number:	
PREA Number:	N/A)
Classification of Incident:	Homicide
Confidential Medical Information Included:	X Yes No

Chief Inspector General Case Number: None

Whistle-Blower Investigation: \_\_\_\_Yes

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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.

## **Investigative Assist Closed**

Refers to a disposition of an investigative assist, where the conduct being investigated by the outside agency did not concern allegations against a Department employee, contractor, inmate, offender, or other person either employed or under the supervision of the Department.

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#### V. PREDICATE

On September 5, 2018, Officer Stacey Oliver (Oliver) at Columbia Correctional Institution Annex (CCI-A) was conducting count of R-Dormitory and observed Inmate Willard Snyder DC# C11559 (Snyder) lying on the bathroom floor of side one (1)

This information was reported to the Office of Inspector General via MINS and assigned to Inspector John Santerfeit (*Santerfeit*) on September 10, 2018, for further Investigation.

On November 23, 2018, Inspector Steven Donaldson was dispatched to a Natural Death (OIG case # 18-20378) at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The further into the investigation Inspector Donaldson got, it was determined this was not a Natural Death, it was Inmate Snyder, and his death was the result of foul play.

This case will be upgraded to a Criminal Assist case with FDLE, and assigned to Lead Senior Inspector Chip Potter (LSI Potter) for further investigation, on April 17, 2019.

### 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:

Upon assignment of this case, this report was initiated to document items given to FDLE Special Agent Ryan Bunton (*Agent Bunton*), prior to this writer becoming involved and assuming responsibility for this Agency Assist Case.

The listed attachments were provided to Agent Bunton, in response to his investigative demand. Agent Bunton had originally responded to the Aggravated battery back in September 2018. Since that time Agent Bunton has completed the Aggravated Battery portion of his investigation and provided this writer with copies of his documented reports, which are attached to this report.

Also, included in the attachments is a copy of Inmate Snyder's Autopsy report. The Medical Examiner listed a Cause of Death as and Manner of Death: Homicide.

Agent Bunton is continuing his Homicide investigation and will be provided further assistance by this inspector on an as need basis, until such time he deems assistance from the OIG no longer necessary.

On May 21,2019, Agent Bunton advised his case has been presented to the Third Judicial Circuit's State Attorney's Office. He has provided his case file (attached) and no long needs the assistance of the Office of Inspector General. When the prosecution has been decided, he will forward me the results, via email. (FDLE case file attached, along with email)

According to FDLE Agent Bunton's Investigative Summary Report, (attached to case) this case has been presented to the State Attorney's Office for prosecution of Inmates Luna, Radford, Greene, and

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Glover, for the charges of Florida Statutes, Chapter 782.04(1)(a): Homicide; The unlawful killing of a human being.

### VII. CHARGES

## List alleged violations of Florida Law:

- 1. Violation of § 782.04(1)(a)) Florida Statutes, Homicide; the unlawful killing of a human being
  - § 782.04 (1)(a), Florida Statute, The unlawful killing of a human being:
  - 1. When perpetrated from a premeditated design to effect the death of the person killed or any human being;.

### VIII. CONCLUSION

Based on the information gathered during their investigation, it is the recommendation of FDLE Special Agent Ryan Bunton, Inamtes Aaron Luna, Bosichell Radford, Santrell Greene, and Dominique Glover, be charged with Murder, in violation of § 782.04 (1)(a). This agency assist case will be closed and termed as follows:

1. Agency assist closed

Senior Inspector Potter reviewed the investigation completed by FDLE, and administrative issues were not identified.

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