



## Inter-Office Memorandum

To: Mr. Jim Willits, Director  
Department of Public Protection

From: *Cynthia A. Clifford*  
Ms. Cindy Clifford, Director  
Division of Corrections

Date: January 14, 2008

Re: FDLE Complaint

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On January 8, 2008, I received notice that former County of Volusia Corrections Sergeant John Bandorf had filed a complaint against me with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE). Mr. Bandorf's complaint alleges that I perjured myself during testimony at a Florida State Retirement Commission hearing. His complaint specifically identifies an incident which occurred on May 3, 2004.

The Florida State Retirement Commission subpoenaed me to testify in the Commission Meeting of January 8, 2007. During my testimony, a question was asked reference the division policy on internal affairs investigations. My response was that our practice would be to investigate all criminal claims against a staff member. I was asked if this had been done for Mr. Bandorf. I responded that internal affairs had conducted investigations into several incidents of this nature with Mr. Bandorf.

At the time, I believed that this was true, as all the files I had reviewed were from the Internal Affairs Unit. I later learned that some of these files were information gathering as required by Florida Department of Law Enforcement and not investigative as I had thought. Some of the files were actual internal investigations. Two of the three files I reviewed were official Internal Affairs investigations, one reference Mr. Bandorf changing the security codes on county computers. The other was allegations reference labor union issues. The third file was an informational file on the May 3, 2004 incident as required by FDLE.

I may have referred to all three files as internal affairs investigations, however, this was an error on my part. I apologize for any misrepresentation of facts and for the misunderstanding that may have resulted. At no time did I intentionally falsify information or commit perjury.