



ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

SHERIFF-CORONER DON BARNES

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION Personnel Investigation #18-026

VINCENT RENZI
STANTON POLICE SERVICES
FIELD OPERATIONS COMMAND

You are hereby notified that the Orange County Sheriff-Coroner Department ("Department") is suspending you without pay from your position of Deputy Sheriff II for a period of twenty three (23) working hours. Your suspension shall be served in its entirety over consecutive days and will be completed within one pay period. Pursuant to Article X, Section 3, of the County of Orange Memorandum of Understanding for the Peace Officer Unit, and the Orange County Sheriff's Department Policy Manual 340.2 (a) 2, you will be suspended for violating the following:

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In the letter entitled "Notice of Pending Suspension" you were provided, the specifics of the above listed violations. In addition, you were provided your right to request a Due Process Review (Skelly Meeting) of this matter, which you did not exercise.

This incident may serve as basis for a substandard evaluation, and/or denial of promotion and/or transfer. Also, be advised that any future sustained incident of a similar nature may result in a substandard performance evaluation, more severe discipline being imposed upon you, up to and including termination, and/or the denial of promotion and/or transfer.

You have the right to appeal, pursuant to Article X, Section 3C and Article XI, Sections 7 & 8 of the Memorandum of Understanding, County of Orange and the Association of Orange County Deputy Sheriff's for the Peace Officer and Supervising Peace Officer Unit.

Your suspension will be served as follows:

Wednesday, March 13, 2019	1530-0300	(11.5 hours)
Thursday, March 14, 2019	1530-0300	(11.5 hours)
	Total:	23 hours



Dave Sawyer, Commander

3-11-19

Date



Vincent Renzi, Deputy Sheriff II

3-15-19

Date



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On January 19th, 2018, at the direction of Commander W. Baker, Internal Affairs initiated a personnel investigation into your on-duty actions relating to improper collection and booking of evidence.

An investigation into your collection and booking of evidence from October 2017 to January 2018 revealed you violated Department policy approximately seventeen (17) times by booking evidence later than the same shift. Additionally, there was thirteen (13) incidents where no evidence was booked/logged into "Remedy" (Sheriff's Evidence).

During your interview with Internal Affairs Sergeants Montano and Few, you admitted to consistently booking in evidence late as well as practicing poor chain of custody procedures. You told Sergeants Montano and Few that you understood the potential liability issues regarding booking in evidence late brings to yourself and the Department. You stated you regularly used your work locker as a "temporary holding facility", against Department policy. You also admitted you violated various Department policies during the timeframe of the investigation and stated you took responsibility for your irresponsible actions.

As a member of the Orange County Sheriff's Department, you have an unyielding responsibility to continually conduct yourself professionally, honestly, and not bring public embarrassment or liability upon yourself, your Department, or its members. After consideration of all available information, the Department believes you violated the above listed OCSD Policy sections.

In addition to this "Notice of Pending Suspension," you are entitled to the documents that substantiate the decision to suspend you:

- Initial Action
- Investigative Summary
- Initiating Memos
- CD of Internal Affairs Interview

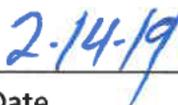
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If you do not provide a written response or request a meeting by 1700 hours on the tenth calendar day following your receipt of this notice, it will be assumed you have waived your right to be heard. If you do respond, consideration will be given to your response prior to taking any proposed action on this proposal for suspension. You are entitled to represent yourself or may be represented by the Association of Orange County Deputy Sheriffs ("AOCDS") pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Orange and AOCDS in any pre-disciplinary meeting you may request.

If this proposed action becomes final, you have the right to appeal, pursuant to Article X, Section 3C and Article XI, Sections 7 and 8 of the Memorandum of Understanding, County of Orange and the Association of Orange County Deputy Sheriff's for the Peace Officer and Supervising Peace Officer Unit.



Dave Sawyer, Commander



Date



Vincent Renzi, Deputy Sheriff II



Date

**Internal Investigation
Administrative Worksheet
PI# 18-026**

Principal(s): Deputy Vincent Renzi

Complainant(s): Administration

Facility/Location: Stanton/North Operations

Disposition:

1. OCSD Policy Manual Section 1018.1 – Standard of Conduct

Unfounded / No Further Action / Exonerated / Not Sustained / Sustained

2. OCSD Policy Manual Section 1018.33- Incurring Liability

Unfounded / No Further Action / Exonerated / Not Sustained / Sustained

3. OCSD Policy Manual Section 1018.5- Performance of Duty

Unfounded / No Further Action / Exonerated / Not Sustained / Sustained

4. OCSD Policy Manual Section 1018.6- Obedience to Laws and Regulations

Unfounded / No Further Action / Exonerated / Not Sustained / Sustained

5. OCSD Policy Manual Section 1019.11- Tampering With Evidence

Unfounded / No Further Action / Exonerated / Not Sustained / Sustained

6. OCSD Policy Manual Section 1001.2- Cannon of Ethics

Unfounded / No Further Action / Exonerated / Not Sustained / Sustained

7. OCSD Field Operations Manual (FOM), Section "19 C.4" - Evidence

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Administrative Leave

Discipline:

Written Reprimand Suspension (# of hours 23)
 Demotion (to rank of _____) Dismissal

Comments / Other: Consulted w/ others in Ex. Command including Sheriff + Undersheriff. All in concurrence

Administrative Disposition by: T. J. Lawton

Date: 2-7-19

Administrative Appeal Hearing

Date: _____

Time: _____

In Attendance: _____

Comments: _____

Disposition: _____

Disposition by: _____ Date: _____

Personnel Investigation Summary

**ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL MEMO**



TO: Lieutenant Garrett DeGiorgio
FROM: Sergeant Justin Montano
DATE: October 18th, 2018
RE: Internal Affairs Personnel Investigation #18-026

COMPLAINANT: ADMINISTRATION

EMPLOYEE(S): DEPUTY VINCENT RENZI #9143

INCIDENT LOCATION: CITY OF STANTON

INCIDENT DATE(S): OCTOBER 5TH, 2017 THROUGH JANUARY 14TH, 2018

ALLEGATION(S):

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INITIAL ACTION:

On 01-19-18, Commander W. Baker recommended an Internal Criminal investigation into the on-duty actions of Deputy Vincent Renzi. It was alleged Deputy Renzi violated numerous policies relating to collection and booking of evidence.

On 07-09-18, The Orange County District Attorney's office declined to file charges against Deputy Renzi. ***For further details, see page 9 of this report for the copy of the official DA letter.***

On 07-18-18, after the completion of the Internal Criminal investigation and DA review, Assistant Sheriff R. Peterson recommended an Internal Affairs investigation regarding any violations of Department policies.



INITIATING MEMORANDUMS:**MEMO FROM LIEUTENANT S. HOWELL TO CAPTAIN D. SAWYER (DATED 01-18-18) PAGE 1 OF 3****ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL MEMO**

TO: Captain D. Sawyer
FROM: Lieutenant S. Howell
DATE: January 18, 2018
RE: Deputy Vincent Renzi and Deputy [REDACTED]

On January 18, 2018, at about 1700 hours, Sergeant Art Alvarez contacted me prior to the start his shift regarding Deputy Vincent Renzi failing to book evidence prior to the end of his shift. Sergeant Alvarez stated there were five cases from October 5, 2017 through December 12, 2017 where Deputy Renzi collected evidence while working patrol in the city of Stanton and failed to book the evidence prior to the end of his shift. This was discovered by the Sheriff's Property and Evidence team on January 17, 2018.

Sergeant Alvarez told me on January 18, at about 1420 hours, Sergeant [REDACTED] from Sheriff's Property and Evidence contacted him via phone regarding Deputy Vincent Renzi. Sergeant [REDACTED] stated on Sunday, January 14, 2018 at 2100 hours, Deputy Renzi booked five items of evidence into the Stanton Evidence Locker. On January 16, Sheriff's Property and Evidence discovered that the five items booked by Deputy Renzi where from five different cases from October 2017 through December 2017. On January 18, 2018 Sergeant [REDACTED] reviewed some of Renzi's police reports related to the case number assigned to the evidence. All of Renzi's reports indicated that the evidence was booked prior to the end of his shift. As soon as Sergeant [REDACTED] noticed the discrepancy he notified Sergeant Alvarez who is currently Deputy Renzi's patrol supervisors.

Sergeant Alvarez stated he was not aware of any indication that Deputy Renzi failed to properly book evidence prior to the end of his shift. Due to the fact that Deputy Renzi was assigned to patrol training on August, 18, 2017 and based on Sergeant [REDACTED] initial findings, I directed him to review all of Deputy Renzi's history of booking evidence while assigned to Stanton. I also requested Sergeant [REDACTED] review the training officers assigned to Renzi during the dates Renzi collected the evidence.

I reviewed Deputy Renzi's training files via the OCSD ADORE Training data base. The data base indicated that Deputy Renzi was trained on the proper procedures regarding evidence collection on November 11, 2017 (see attached report). I contacted Deputy Jason Howell with FTB and he stated Deputy Renzi was also provided a one hour lecture by the OCSD Crime Lab on the proper procedure of collection and booking of evidence during the FTB Patrol School.

Evidence collected by Deputy Renzi:

- 1) 17-039422 Collected evidence on 10-5-2017, 0000 hours and booked on 1-14-2018, 2106 hours
1 glass meth pipe & 1 baggie of .2 grams of a white crystalline substance
 - Report states, "later booked them into Sheriff's evidence in Stanton."
- 2) 17-045020 Collected evidence on 11-14-2017, 0000 hours and booked on 1-14-2018, 2059 hours
1 syringe loaded with a white substance



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- Report states, "I later booked the loaded syringe into Sheriff's evidence in Stanton and submitted a request for evidentiary examination on the contents of the syringe."
- 3) 17-047849 Collected evidence on 12-03-2017, 0000 hours and booked on 1-14-2018, 2021 hours
1 baggie containing .5 grams of a white crystalline substance
 - No report on file
 - 4) 17-048901 Collected evidence on 12-10-2017, 0000 hours and booked on 1-14-2018, 2054 hours
1 baggie containing 7.9 grams of a white crystalline substance
1 baggie containing .5 grams of a white crystalline substance
1 black nylon zip case
 - No report on file
 - 5) 17-049187 Collected evidence on 12-12-2017, 0000 hours and booked on 1-14-2018, 2109 hours
1 nylon baggie containing marijuana (unknown amount) for destruction
 - Report states, "later booked it into Sheriff's evidence in Stanton for destruction."

On a completely separate incident, Sergeant [REDACTED] discovered that Training Officer Deputy [REDACTED] was assigned as Deputy Renzi's training officer during the above dates. Sheriff's records showed that Deputy [REDACTED] collected evidence on 1-8-2018, 1755 hours and booked the evidence on 1-15-2018, 0342 hours.

Evidence collected by Training Officer Deputy [REDACTED]

- 1) 18-001081 Collected evidence on 1-8-2018, 1755 hours and booked on 1-15-2018, 0342 hours
28.05 grams of methamphetamine
48 Xanax pills
1 glass meth pipe
1 digital scale
3 cellular phones
1 metal knuckles
 - No report on file

Based on my initial review of the incident and Sergeant [REDACTED] findings, I believe Deputy Renzi and Deputy [REDACTED] possibly violated Sheriff's Department Policy and possibly Criminal Violations based on the fact that they withheld evidence from a criminal investigation. I recommend this incident be forwarded to Sheriff's Investigations and Internal Affairs for further investigation.

The following is a list of violations based on my findings:

- OCSD Field Operations Manual Section 19 Evidence



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MEMO FROM LIEUTENANT [REDACTED] TO CAPTAIN D. SAWYER (DATED 01-18-18) PAGE 3 OF 3

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- C (4) Property and evidence WILL be secured in an authorized Property/Evidence locker by the end of shift.
- OCSD Policy 1019.11 Tampering with Evidence
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- Canon Two
 - Ethical standards
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MEMO FROM CAPTAIN D. SAWYER TO COMMANDER S. GREENBERG (DATED 01-19-18) PAGE 1 OF 2

ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL MEMO



TO: Commander Stu Greenberg
FROM: Captain Dave Sawyer *DS*
DATE: January 19, 2018
RE: Request for Personnel Investigation

EMPLOYEE:

Deputy Vincent Renzi
Deputy [REDACTED]

COMPLAINANT:

OCSD Administration—North Operations Division

DATE / TIME OF ALLEGED MISCONDUCT:

January 14, 2018 and January 15, 2018

DIVISION / BUREAU:

North Operations / Stanton Police Services

POSSIBLE WITNESSES:

Lieutenant Sean Howell Stanton
Sergeant Arturo Alvarez Stanton
Sergeant [REDACTED] Evidence / Property

Summary of Alleged Misconduct:

On 1-14-18, Stanton Patrol Deputy Vincent Renzi booked items of evidence into property associated to five separate DR numbers. The evidenced booked by Deputy Renzi were Narcotics. On 1-17-18, personnel assigned to Property/Evidence noticed that all five incidents were from late 2017. Property/Evidence personnel also found a discrepancy with narcotic evidence booked by Deputy [REDACTED]

Details of Incident:

On 1-18-18, Sergeant [REDACTED] contacted Stanton Patrol Sergeant Art Alvarez and advised him of the suspicious activity. Sergeant [REDACTED] reviewed CAD records and reports, and noticed Deputy Renzi had written reports on three occasions. In each report, Deputy Renzi stated he had booked evidence into property at the Stanton Sub-Station the day the incident occurred. On two occurrences, no report was written regarding contraband booked into evidence by Deputy Renzi on 1-14-18.

Deputy [REDACTED] was Deputy Renzi's training officer in 2017. Lieutenant Howell requested a check on records associated to Deputy [REDACTED]. Personnel assigned to Property/Evidence discovered Deputy [REDACTED] booked an assortment of narcotic evidence into property evidence on 1-15-18. CAD records indicate Deputy [REDACTED] had collected the evidence on 1-8-18. No report could be located regarding this incident.



MEMO FROM CAPTAIN D. SAWYER TO COMMANDER S. GREENBERG (DATED 01-19-18) PAGE 2 OF 2

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Recommendations:

Based on preliminary information, I am requesting a personnel investigation into possible violations of Departmental policy related to standard of conduct, obedience to laws, violation of law and prohibited acts or omissions.

Attachments:

- Memo from Lieutenant Sean Howell
- Memo from Sergeant [REDACTED]
- Memo from Sergeant Arturo Alvarez
- CAD report for incident # 17-039422
- CAD report for incident # 17-045020
- CAD report for incident # 17-047849
- CAD report for incident # 17-048901
- CAD report for incident # 17-049187
- Property Tracking System record for incident # 17-039422
- Property Tracking System record for incident # 17-045020
- Property Tracking System record for incident # 17-047849
- Property Tracking System record for incident # 17-048901
- Property Tracking System record for incident # 17-049187
- Property Tracking System record for incident # 18-001081
- DR# 17-039422
- DR# 17-045020
- DR# 17-049187
- ADORE training records for Deputy Renzi

*PETER TO
 INTERVIEW ALLIANCE -
 INITIATE INTERNAL
 ORIGINAL INVESTIGATION
 ON BOTH RENZI + [REDACTED]
 WILLIAM BAKER
 1-19-18*



MEMO FROM LIEUTENANT A. STEPHENS TO CAPTAIN K. BURMOOD (DATED 07-18-18)-

ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL MEMO



TO: Captain Ken Burmood
FROM: Lieutenant Andy Stephens
DATE: July 18, 2018
RE: Internal Criminal Investigation #18-002704

On January 19, 2018, the Orange County Sheriff's Department Homicide Detail was assigned an Internal Criminal investigation regarding OCSD Deputy Sheriff [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was assigned to Operations in the City of Stanton as a Patrol Deputy. He was not placed on Administrative Leave for this incident.

Deputy [REDACTED] was accused of collecting evidence while on patrol and not booking it in a timely manner. A search of his locker and patrol bag revealed a knife and a counterfeit one-hundred dollar bill inside an OCSD property envelope. [REDACTED] did not know where the one-hundred-dollar bill came from and a report had not been written about it.

Homicide Investigator Dave Holloway conducted a thorough investigation of the incident. At the conclusion of the investigation, Holloway submitted copies of all reports associated with the investigation to the Orange County District Attorney's Office.

The case was assigned to Deputy District Attorney Susan Laird for review. On July 13, 2018, after carefully reviewing the case, Deputy DA Laird rejected the case and concluded that filing criminal charges against Deputy [REDACTED] was not warranted. The DA's criminal review of this case is closed.

I recommend this case be assigned to Internal Affairs for an administrative review related to any violation(s) of department policy.

Command Staff

Remarks

Investigations Captain

conced to I.A

Area Commander

conced

Assistant Sheriff

conced



LETTER FROM THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO INVESTIGATOR D. HOLLOWAY:



**OFFICE OF THE
DISTRICT ATTORNEY
ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
TONY RACKAUCKAS**

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CHIEF OF STAFF

July 9, 2018

Investigator Dave Holloway
Orange County Sheriff's Department
Attn: Internal Affairs
P.O. Box 449
Santa Ana, CA 92702-9951

RE: Internal Criminal Investigation of Deputy Sheriff Vincent Renzi
Case no. 18-002703

Dear Investigator Holloway,

Our office has reviewed the above listed report dated January 19, 2018, regarding Orange County Sheriff Deputy Renzi's failure to book evidence or property at the Orange County Sheriff's Department in three cases, his failure to submit photographs, on time or at all, in twelve cases, as well as his failure to book evidence in a timely fashion in five other cases. In addition, our office reviewed your report documenting the two cases where Deputy Renzi listed the amount(s) of drugs in his report differently than he listed the amount(s) as booked in evidence. It is our conclusion after reviewing all the available evidence that the filing of criminal charges against Deputy Renzi is not warranted because we do not have sufficient evidence to prove beyond a reasonable doubt that Deputy Renzi committed a crime. However, it is our office's intention to notify all the impacted defendants of Deputy Renzi's conduct in connection with evidence relating to such defendants' cases. Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.

Sincerely,

SUSAN J. LAIRD
Orange County District Attorney's Office
Deputy District Attorney
Special Prosecutions Unit
714-347-8627
susan.laird@da.ocgov.com



REPLY TO: ORANGE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

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WESTMINSTER, CA 92683
(714) 896-7261

HARBOR OFFICE
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ORANGE, CA 92668
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INTERNAL CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION (HOMICIDE/INVESTIGATOR D. HOLLOWAY):**INTERNAL CRIMINAL – INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY****Background:**

On Friday, January 19, 2018, at about 1750 hours, I was assigned this Internal Criminal Investigation by Sergeant D. Voght. Sgt. Voght gave me a packet of information containing internal memos by Captain D. Sawyer, Lieutenant S. Howell, Sergeant [REDACTED] and Sergeant A. Alvarez. Sgt. Voght told me this investigation would comprise two separate Internal Criminal Investigations relating to late evidence booking: Deputy [REDACTED] (DR 18-002704) and Deputy Vincent Renzi (DR 18-002703).

Summary of internal memos:

Deputy Vincent Renzi [REDACTED] booked evidence in at the Stanton station on January 14, 2018 from five cases dating as far back as October 5, 2017. Personnel at Property and Evidence notified Property Sergeant [REDACTED] about Deputy Renzi's activity. Sgt. [REDACTED] provided information regarding the five cases for which Deputy Renzi booked in evidence on January 14, 2018:

- DR 17-039422 drawn on October 5, 2017
- DR 17-045020 drawn on November 14, 2017
- DR 17-047849 drawn on December 4, 2017
- DR 17-048901 drawn on December 10, 2017
- DR 17-049187 drawn on December 12, 2017

Sgt. [REDACTED] notified Sgt. Alvarez about the issues involving Deputy Renzi. Sgt. Alvarez then notified Lt. Howell.

Deputy Renzi is assigned to Patrol Operations in Stanton. He began his patrol training on August 8, 2017. Lt. Howell looked at Deputy Renzi's patrol training records and reported that Deputy Renzi had been trained on the proper manner to book evidence. One of Deputy Renzi's Field Training Officers in Stanton was Deputy [REDACTED]. Deputy [REDACTED] also failed to book evidence prior to the end of his shift on at least one occasion: DR 18-001081 drawn on January 8, 2018. This evidence was booked in on January 15, 2018.

Initial Statement by Deputy Renzi:

On Friday, January 19, 2018, at about 1830 hours, Investigators E. Arredondo, K. Loddby, and I went to the Stanton station where we met with Lt. Howell. Lt. Howell told us he had called Deputies [REDACTED] and Renzi at home and asked them to report to the Stanton station. He had also advised them of their right to contact the Association of Orange County Deputy Sheriffs (AOCDS).

At about 1948 hours, Investigator Loddby and I met with Deputy Renzi in an office at the Stanton station. AOCDS Representative Frank Flavin was also present for the interview. I briefly explained the nature of my investigation to Frank and Deputy Renzi before I digitally recorded the following conversation. I read Deputy Renzi his Miranda Rights from my department-issued card. He answered, "Yes" to all my questions. I asked Deputy Renzi for permission to search his employee locker and he agreed. Deputy Renzi is allotted a shelf in a storage room where



he is allowed to store patrol equipment instead of having to take it home every day. Deputy Renzi gave me permission to search this area as well. I asked him for permission to search his personal vehicle and he declined. I asked him if he would like to make any statements regarding my investigation and he declined. I did not ask Deputy Renzi any further questions regarding this investigation.

Evidence Search:

Internal Affairs Sgts. Montano and Haag arrived to collect some of Deputy Renzi's department-owned equipment in anticipation of him being placed on Administrative Leave. Sgt. Montano, Frank Flavin, Deputy Renzi, Investigator Arredondo, and I went to the employee locker room. Deputy Renzi removed some personally-owned items from his locker (#9). Investigator Arredondo then searched Deputy Renzi's locker and found nothing suspicious. We then went to the storage room where Deputy Renzi is allotted storage space for patrol equipment. Investigator Arredondo and I found nothing suspicious.

Sheriff's Remedy System:

When an OCSD employee books evidence, he or she is required to book it into property through the Remedy computer application at one of several computer terminals located throughout the department. Remedy terminals and secure evidence lockers are located at many OCSD buildings, including the Stanton Station, Southeast Station in Lake Forest, Southwest Station in Aliso Viejo, and others. Using Remedy, the employee inputs his or her own name, assignment, property description, and other information into a computerized form. Once all the information is entered and saved, a tag and a label are generated. The employee attaches the label to the item of evidence. The employee writes his or her initials and ID number on the evidence tag and attaches it to the item. The employee then places the item of evidence into a secure evidence locker. Remedy users can also generate various reports that list items booked in under a particular DR number. One report called Case Items Report simply lists the items booked in under a DR number. Another report called Audit Trail Report lists who booked in an item (among other information). These reports also display whether property is still in evidence; has been released; or has been destroyed. The description of the property in evidence is solely dependent on how the employee describes it when he or she enters it into Remedy. The description does not necessarily reflect what is actually booked into evidence.

Photographic Evidence:

When a Deputy Sheriff takes his or her own photographs as part of an investigation, there is an alternate procedure for booking them into evidence. The deputy may submit them into evidence without using the Remedy system. After taking photos and saving them to a CD or other digital media, the deputy would simply place the CD into a photo evidence envelope and then into a secure evidence locker. According to the OC Crime Lab (OCCL) photo lab Section Manager, Kim Brown, the process is as follows. The evidence is then collected daily and delivered to Sheriff's Evidence. The envelopes containing CDs are delivered to the OCCL photo lab where they are logged into their tracking system. The deputy's photographs are then available to be viewed electronically at some later date. Kim told me there can be a delay of a few days between when the deputy submits the evidence at their workplace and the date it is reflected in the OCCL computer tracking system. The date listed in the table below for photo CDs is the date the evidence was logged into the OCCL photo lab system. If the lab had no record of a receipt of photos for a DR number, that information is in the Notes section of the table below.



Identification of Possible Late Evidence Booking:

Using Sheriff's software applications, I located 163 case numbers in which Deputy Renzi is the assigned deputy. I read each of the reports to identify cases in which Deputy Renzi collected evidence and the approximate date and time it was collected. I identified 63 case numbers under which Deputy Renzi collected evidence. I then collected Property Tracking Reports using Remedy. I compared the dates when evidence was booked with the dates it was collected. I then checked court records for each case to determine whether the suspect pled guilty before Deputy Renzi booked in his evidence. I compiled my findings into the table below. The Notes section of the table contains language from Deputy Renzi's reports regarding when the evidence was to be booked in and other notes.

	DR Number	Approx. Date/Time Collected	Date/Time Booked	Days Elapsed	Type of Evidence	Notes
1	17-049204	12/12/17-2205	12/13/17-0523	same shift	knife	Report states: "I...later booked it...in Stanton."
2	17-049187	12/12/17-1855	1/14/18-2109	33	marijuana	Report states: "I...later booked it...in Stanton."
3	17-049071	12/11/17-2350	12/13/17-0528	next shift	pills; paraph.	Report states: "I later...booked [it]...in Stanton."
4	17-048909	12/11/17-0140	12/13/17-0515	2	billy club; photos	Deputy Renzi collected a billy club and took photos. Billy club booked in on 12/13/17: Report states: "I...later booked [it]...in Stanton." <u>No photos in Remedy or OCCL photo lab</u>
5	17-048901	12/10/17-2200	1/14/18-2054	35	meth	Report states: "I later booked [it]...in Stanton."
6	17-048820	12/10/17-0400	12/13/17-0519	3	knife; photos	Deputy Renzi collected a knife and took photos. Knife booked in on 12/13/17. Report states: "I later booked [it]...in Stanton." <u>No photos in Remedy or OCCL photo lab</u>
7	17-048773	12/9/17-1938	N/A		video	Deputy Renzi collected a CD containing video. There is nothing in remedy—see below . Report states: "I later booked [it] into...evidence"
8	17-047849	12/3/17-2355	1/14/18-2021	42	meth	Report states: "Evidence collected and booked"
9	17-047127	11/29/17-0654	11/29/17-0657	same shift	pills	Report states: "I...later booked it...in Stanton..."
10	17-046219	11/22/17-0100	11/22/17-0715 12/14/17-1610	same shift CD: 22	knife; photos	Deputy Renzi collected a switchblade and took photos. Knife booked in on 11/22/17. Report states: "I later booked [it]...in Stanton." Photo CD logged 12/14/17.



11	17-045020	11/14/17-0240	1/14/18-2059	61	loaded syringe	Report states: "I later booked [it]...in Stanton."
12	17-044764	11/12/17-0308	N/A		photos	Photo CD only. Report states: "Evidence collected and booked" <u>No photos in Remedy or OCCL photo lab</u>
13	17-044756	11/12/17-0140	11/13/17-0500	next shift	crime scene log	No evidence mentioned in Deputy Renzi's report. Evidence collected by other personnel. Deputy Renzi booked a crime scene log. Most evidence booked by OCCL
14	17-044053	11/6/17-2324	11/7/17-0245 12/14/17	same shift CD: 38	drugs; cell phone; photos	Deputy Renzi collected drugs and took photos. Report states: "I booked the [evidence] in Santa Ana." Photo CD logged 12/14/17 <i>Suspect pled guilty before the photos were in evidence. Deputy Renzi's report does not match what he entered into Remedy—see below.</i>
15	17-043182	11/1/17-0300	11/1/17-0841 12/14/17-1446	same shift CD: 43	related to robbery; photos	Deputy Renzi took photos and collected other items. Report states: "The...evidence was...booked at...Stanton" Most evidence booked on 11/1/17. Photo CD logged 12/14/17
16	17-042916	10/29/17-2140	N/A		photos	Photo CD only. Report states: "Evidence collected and booked." <u>No photos in Remedy or OCCL photo lab</u>
17	17-042901	10/29/17-1900	10/30/17-0432	same shift	wallet	Report states: "I later booked [it] into...evidence."
18	17-042816	10/28/17-2305	10/30/17-0435	next shift	meth	Report states: "The...evidence was...booked...at...Stanton."
19	17-041945	10/23/17-0130	10/23/17-0602	same shift	related to rape	Report states: "I booked [it]...at the Stanton Substation."
20	17-041241	10/18/17-0436	12/14/17-1554	57	photos	Report states: "Evidence collected" Photo CD only. Logged 12/14/17.
21	17-041238	10/18/17-0255	10/18/17-0708	same shift	drugs; paraph	Report states: "I booked the [evidence]...in Stanton."



22	17-039858	10/8/17-0002	N/A		DUI; photos	DUI; blood evidence collected and retained by phlebotomist. Other evidence collected by other personnel. Deputy Renzi took photos and saved them on a CD. Report states: "Evidence collected" <u>No photos in Remedy or OCCL photo lab</u>
23	17-039429	10/5/17-0415	N/A		photos	Photo CD only. Report states: "Evidence collected" <u>No photos in Remedy or OCCL photo lab</u>
24	17-039422	10/5/17-0110	1/14/18-2106	101	meth; pipe	Report states: "I...later booked [it]...in Stanton."
25	17-037840	9/23/17-2220	9/24/17-0552	same shift	paraph.	Report states: "I collected...and later booked it into...evidence." .5 gram discrepancy—see below
26	17-037819	9/23/17-1925	9/24/17-0537	same shift	meth; pipe	Report states: "I...later booked [it]...into...evidence."
27	17-037381	9/20/17-2146	9/21/17-2124	next shift	EPAS receipt	DUI; EPAS receipt booked 9/21/17. Report states: "I...later booked it...in Stanton."
28	17-037335	9/20/17-1935	9/21/17-0229	same shift	meth; pipe	Report states: "I...booked [it] into...evidence."
29	17-036629	9/15/17-1830	9/16/17-0230	same shift	related to child porn	Report states: "...I...collected and booked for evidence"
30	17-036420	9/14/17-1650	N/A		photos	Photo CD only. Report states: "I booked [it]...into...evidence" <u>No photos in Remedy or OCCL photo lab</u>
31	17-036374	9/14/17-1144	N/A		briefcase	Deputy Renzi collected a briefcase for safekeeping. I found nothing in remedy —see below. Report states: "I...later booked it into...evidence"
32	17-036350	9/14/17-1025	N/A		photos	Photo CD only. Report states: "Evidence collected" <u>No photos in Remedy or OCCL photo lab</u>
33	17-035651	9/9/17-1300	9/14/17-1948 9/19/17-1454	5 CD: 10	receipt; photos	Deputy Renzi collected a receipt and took photos. Report states:



						"I...booked them into...Evidence." Receipt booked 9/14/17. Photo CD logged 9/19/17
34	17-035305	9/7/17-0815	9/7/17-1831	same shift	meth	Report states: "I later...booked [it]...into... evidence."
35	17-034622	9/2/17-1210	9/2/17-1817	same shift	related to rape	Report states: "I...later booked [it]...into... Evidence."
36	17-034342	8/31/17-1400	N/A		photos	Photo CD only. Report states: "Evidence collected" <u>No photos in Remedy or OCCL photo lab</u>
37	17-034190	8/30/17-1320	N/A		photos	Photo CD only. Report states: "I later booked [it]...into...Evidence." <u>No photos in Remedy or OCCL photo lab</u>
38	17-033571	8/26/17-0648	8/30/17-1012	4	syringes; <u>paraph</u>	Report states: "I booked them into... evidence...at a later time."
39	17-033559	8/25/17-1445	8/30/17-1007	5	meth	Report states: "I...later booked it into Sheriff's Evidence"
40	17-032690	8/19/17-0944	8/19/17-1729 8/29/17-1203	same shift CD: 10	related to found property; photos	Deputy Renzi took photos and collected other items. Report states: "I booked [it]...into Sheriff's Evidence." Evidence booked 8/19/17. Photo CD logged 8/29/17.
41	17-032562	8/18/17-1635	8/23/17-1004	5	video; photos	Deputy Renzi booked two separate CDs- Photos and video; Report states for Photo CD: "I...booked them into...Evidence."; for video CD: "I...booked it into...Evidence."
42	17-027622	7/16/17-0845	7/16/17-1747	same shift	drugs; kite	Report states: "I booked [it]...into Sheriff's Evidence"
43	17-027621	7/16/17-1145	7/16/17-1752	same shift	meth	Report states: "I booked [it]...into Sheriff's Evidence"
44	17-025296	6/29/17-1640	6/29/17-2206	same shift	video	Report states: "I booked [it]...into Sheriff's evidence"
45	17-023975	6/20/17-1430	6/20/17-1913	same shift	meth	Report states: "I booked [it]...into Sheriff's Evidence."
46	17-022446	6/9/17-1550	6/9/17-2056	same shift	related to <u>susp circs</u>	Report states: "I booked [it]...into... evidence"



47	17-022419	6/9/17-1130	6/9/17-2120	same shift	photos	Deputy Renzi took photos and saved them on a CD. Other personnel collected evidence. Report states: "I...booked the disk into...evidence."
48	17-015387	4/21/17-2315	4/22/17-0456	same shift	pepper spray; meth pipe	Report states: "I placed [it]...into evidence in Stanton."
49	17-011038	3/21/17-1415	3/21/17-1912	same shift	meth; kites	Report states: "The substance was subsequently booked into...Evidence"
50	17-010003	3/14/17-0800	3/14/17-1914	same shift	meth; tobacco	Report states: "The substances were subsequently booked into...Evidence"
51	17-005995	2/14/17-1400	2/14/17-1906	same shift	marijuana	Report states: "I booked [it]...into...Evidence"
52	16-286292	12/15/16-1938	12/16/16-0455	same shift	meth pipe	Report states: "I booked [it] into...Evidence"
53	16-284409	12/2/16-1330	12/2/16-1846	same shift	meth	Report states: "The substance was subsequently booked into...Evidence"
54	16-268560	10/12/16-2155	10/13/16-0243	same shift	video	Report states: "I booked [it]...into Sheriff's evidence"
55	16-267251	10/11/16-1500	10/11/16-1913	same shift	meth pipe; CD	Report states: "I booked [it]...into...Evidence"
56	16-253117	9/27/16-1500	9/27/16-1835	same shift	heroin; kite	Report states: "The substance was subsequently booked into...Evidence"
57	16-248944	9/13/16-1045	N/A		kite	Deputy Renzi collected a "Kite." Report states: "[evidence] was subsequently booked into... Evidence" I found no evidence in remedy—see below.
58	16-222406	8/28/16-1645	N/A		photos	Photos taken and retained by OCCL
59	16-218263	8/24/16-1745	N/A		photos	Photo CD only. Report states: "I took pictures...booked...into Evidence" <u>No photos in Remedy or OCCL photo lab</u>



60	16-162402	7/1/16-2152	7/6/16-0901	5	EPAS receipt	DUI; EPAS Receipt booked 7/6/16. Report states: "Evidence Collected"
61	16-083892	4/7/16-2330	4/9/16-0243	2	in-field show up	Report states: "Evidence collected and booked"
62	16-063462	3/15/16-2300	3/16/16-0315	same shift	marijuana	Report states: "I booked [it]...into Sheriff's Evidence"
63	16-030040	2/6/16-1650	2/6/16-2018	same shift	receipt	Report states: "Evidence Collected"

Findings:

- *Of case numbers where Deputy Renzi collected evidence and booked it into Remedy, he booked it:*
 - the same shift: 32 times
 - the next shift: 4 times
 - between 2 and 7 days: 8 times
 - between 8 and 30 days: 0 times
 - between 31 and 101 days: 5 times

I found 19 reports in which Deputy Renzi describes taking photos and saving them to a CD. For 11 of those reports, there was no CD booked into Remedy or logged with the OCCL photo lab.

DUI investigations: In some of Deputy Renzi's DUI investigations, blood evidence was collected and retained by a phlebotomist. Digital video evidence was retained by OCSD on video servers. Deputy Renzi did not collect or book any evidence in these cases. These were not included in the table above.

I found three reports in which Deputy Renzi describes booking evidence but I was unable to locate any record of it in Remedy.

DR 17-048773: Deputy Renzi wrote a Crime Report for shoplifting. The crime occurred on December 9, 2017. His report states that he collected a CD containing video footage from Walmart and that he "later booked" it into evidence in Stanton. I checked the Remedy application and found there was nothing in evidence.

DR 17-036374: Deputy Renzi wrote a Found Property Report describing a found briefcase he collected from a business owner on September 13, 2017. His report states that it contained financial documents. Deputy Renzi writes that he "later booked" it into evidence for safekeeping. I checked the Remedy application and found there was nothing in evidence.

DR 16-248944: Deputy Renzi wrote a report about finding a "kite" while working at the Central Men's Jail on September 13, 2016. He collected the kite and wrote: "The 'kite' was subsequently booked into the Orange County Sheriff's Department Evidence Lockers in Santa Ana." I checked the Remedy application and found there was nothing in evidence. On Monday, March 19, 2018, at about 1350 hours,



I spoke to Investigator Treanor who works in the OCSD Custody Intelligence Unit (CIU). Among other duties, the CIU is tasked with reading and analyzing inmate "kites." Investigator Treanor told me the CIU had no record of the kite Deputy Renzi found.

I found two reports in which there was a discrepancy between the quantity of narcotics Deputy Renzi wrote that he collected in his crime report and the quantity he describes in Remedy. (Note—this discrepancy does not take into account what was actually booked into evidence, only what Deputy Renzi describes in the Remedy application. In both cases, the number of items booked into evidence and their Remedy description matched the reports. Only the total weight Deputy Renzi reported was different.)

DR 17-044053: Deputy Renzi wrote a crime report listing [REDACTED] as a suspect of Possession of Controlled Substance for Sale. Deputy Renzi lists the following evidence in his report as "collected and booked."

- 1.3 grams of a white powdery substance
- 0.8 grams of a white crystalline substance
- 0.9 grams of a white crystalline substance
- 1.7 grams of a white crystalline substance
- 2.5 grams of a brown tar like substance
- Metro PCS Android cell phone
- Disc containing photographs

The Property Tracking Report for this case lists the following property as being in evidence:

- 1 baggie containing 2.5 grams of heroin incl pckg
- 1 baggie of a white crystalline substance (1.8 g) w/incl pckg
- 1 baggie of a white crystalline substance (2.9 g) w/incl pckg
- 1 baggie of a white crystalline substance (1.7 g) w/incl pckg
- 1 baggie containing a white powder like substance (1.3 g) w/incl pckg
- 1 metro pcs android cell phone

Deputy Renzi's crime report lists a total weight of 3.4 grams of suspected methamphetamine collected. However, Deputy Renzi lists a total weight of 6.4 grams of suspected methamphetamine booked into evidence on the Property Tracking Report. In Remedy, Deputy Renzi specified he weighed the evidence with packaging but there is no mention of packaging in his report. Deputy Renzi arrested [REDACTED] on November 6, 2017 and booked in all the drugs and the cell phone later in his shift. [REDACTED] pled guilty when he appeared in court on November 8, 2017. The CD containing photos Deputy Renzi submitted to evidence was not logged by the OCCL photo lab until December 14, 2017.

DR 17-037840: Deputy Renzi wrote a citation and report listing [REDACTED] as a suspect of Possession of Pepper Spray, Possession of Controlled Substance, and Possession of Paraphernalia. Deputy Renzi lists the following evidence in his report as "collected and booked"

- Gerber knife with heroin residue
- Cut off soda can bottom with approximately 0.7 grams of heroin on it
- Syringe loaded with heroin



The Property Tracking Report for this case lists the following property as being in evidence:

- 1 soda can bottom with approx. 0.2 grams of heroin*
- 1 knife with heroin residue*
- 1 syringe loaded with heroin*
- 1 can of pepper spray*

Deputy Renzi writes in his crime report that there was 0.7 grams of heroin stuck to the bottom of a soda can. However, on the Property Tracking Report Deputy Renzi writes that the evidence is 0.2 grams of heroin stuck to the can.

Interview with Deputy Renzi:

On Thursday, April 19, 2018, at about 1110 hours, Investigator J. Vogel and I spoke to Deputy Renzi at the offices of the Association of Orange County Deputy Sheriffs (AOCDS) at 1600 N. Main Street, Santa Ana. Deputy Renzi's attorney Bob Gazley (714-375-0628) was also present. The interview was digitally recorded. For more details refer to the recording. The following is a summary of our conversation.

Deputy Renzi told us his statement would be free and voluntary; that no department member ordered him to give a statement to me; and that he did not feel compelled to give me a statement. He has been a Deputy with OCSD for about 5½ years. He has worked patrol in Stanton for about eight months.

Deputy Renzi explained his understanding of the process by which deputies book evidence into property. He told us that the computer at the Stanton station which deputies use to book evidence is normally already signed into the Remedy system. Deputy Renzi also explained the process by which he books photographic evidence.

I told Deputy Renzi that this investigation was prompted by him booking in evidence related to five separate DR numbers on January 14, 2018. I asked him why he waited until that day to book evidence that he had collected on prior dates. He told us that he had collected evidence on prior dates but the "beginning of the year" was "an extremely busy time in the city of Stanton." At the start of his work week that week, he saw a department memo directing all employees to book in any outstanding evidence. He had not intentionally held the evidence but instead had simply been too busy to book the evidence immediately.

I explained to Deputy Renzi that I had found 19 reports in which he wrote about collecting and booking photographs on a CD. I told him I was unable to locate photographs in 11 of those cases. Deputy Renzi told me he did not know what would have happened to the evidence. He admitted that on several occasions, investigators had contacted him because they were unable to find his photographs. In those cases, he emailed photographs to the investigator. Deputy Renzi insisted he booked his photographic evidence the proper way every time.

I asked Deputy Renzi why he would have waited up to three months before booking evidence. He told me there was no specific reason for it. He knew department policy stated he was to book evidence by the end of his shift and that not doing so was a mistake. He had not held onto any evidence intentionally in order to steal it or hide



it. When he had held evidence past his shift, he stored it in his employee locker. He is the only person with access to his employee locker.

I showed Deputy Renzi copies of some reports referenced above in this report and he told me the following.

DR 17-048773: This case included video evidence Deputy Renzi collected from Walmart. Deputy Renzi told us he thought he would have put the video CD into a photo evidence envelope. He would not have used the Remedy system. I later checked with the photo lab and they were unable to locate it.

DR 17-044053: This case involved Deputy Renzi collecting drugs as evidence. Among the items of evidence were three baggies of "a white crystalline substance." Deputy Renzi's report lists the quantities as: 0.8 grams, 0.9 grams, and 1.7 grams. The evidence lists the quantities as: 1.8 grams, 2.9 grams, and 1.7 grams. Deputy Renzi told me he believes he made a mistake when he entered the quantities in Remedy. He meant to refer to the first baggie as item number 1 with the quantity as .8 grams. The second baggie was item number 2 with .9 grams. Therefore, the quantity listed as 1.8 grams should have been item 1; .8 grams and the quantity listed as 2.9 grams should have been item 2; .9 grams. Deputy Renzi told me this was a mistake and not done intentionally.

DR 17-037840: This case involved Deputy Renzi collecting drugs and other items. One of the items was the bottom of a soda can with heroin stuck to it. Deputy Renzi told us it was hard to estimate the amount of heroin involved without peeling it off the soda can. He believes his "approximation was off." He booked in whatever he collected and any discrepancy in his estimates was a mistake on his part.

DR 17-036374: This case involved a briefcase that someone reported finding in their business. Deputy Renzi told us he collected the briefcase for safekeeping and mistakenly left it in his patrol car when he got off work. When he returned from his weekend off, the briefcase was no longer in the patrol car. Deputy Renzi searched the Stanton station and other patrol cars but was unable to locate it. He got an email from property personnel around January 2018 asking about the briefcase but nothing ever came of it. Deputy Renzi told me he did not take the briefcase home and did not dispose of it. He wrote the report before booking the property because he intended to do so later.

DR 16-248944: This case involved a "kite" that Deputy Renzi found while working in jail. When he worked in jail, it was sometimes Deputy Renzi's practice to turn over any kite he found to jail personnel for further investigation. He believes that is what happened in this case. He intended to book the kite into evidence but ended up giving it to jail personnel instead.

End of report.



INTERNAL AFFAIRS INVESTIGATION

Background:

Both the Internal Criminal and the Internal Affairs investigations revealed sixty-three (63) incidents where Renzi collected evidence from 01-23-16 through 01-08-18. ***See pages 12 through 17 of this memo for further details.*** Out of those sixty-three (63) incidents, seventeen (17) of those incidents were booked days or weeks later. Of the case numbers where Deputy Renzi collected evidence and booked it into Remedy, he booked it:

- the same shift: 32 times
- the next shift: 4 times
- between 2 and 7 days: 8 times
- between 8 and 29 days: 0 times
- after 38 days: 5 times
- Never: 13 times

Renzi has thirteen (13) cases with some type of evidence that was "missing." Out of those thirteen, ten (10) were incidents where no photo CD was booked into Remedy or logged with the OCCL photo lab.

The three (3) other instances where we were unable to locate any evidence booked in (although Renzi describes collecting evidence in his reports) contained the following items: one CD of surveillance video, a briefcase Renzi collected for safekeeping, and a jail paper message ("Kite").

District Attorney (DA) Case Related Information:

Out of the missing evidence cases, four (4) were where defendants pled guilty and served various amounts of jail time; without any material evidence being booked in. ***Note: All of these cases dealt with missing CD's. The DA case related information came from Deputy District Attorney Susan Laird.***

Interview of Vincent Renzi/Representative Samantha Swanson– October 2nd, 2018/1904 Hours

On October 2nd, 2018, at approximately 1904 hours, Sergeant Few and I interviewed Deputy Vincent Renzi in the Internal Affairs office. Also present was AOCDS Representative/Attorney Samantha Swanson. Prior to going on recording, I had Renzi review and sign the Public Safety Procedural Bill of Rights, the Confidentiality Directive and the Miranda/Lybarger Admonishment. The interview was audio recorded. The following is a summary of that interview, for details see the actual recording:

Note: On April 19th, 2018, Deputy Renzi was previously interviewed extensively by OCSD Homicide Investigators. Due to the repetitive nature of that interview and the one I conducted, I will document those items of relevance in relation to the Personnel Investigation.



Renzi has worked for the Orange County Sheriff's Department for approximately five (5) years. He is currently assigned to patrol operations in the City of Stanton. Renzi is familiar with the Department's policies and procedures and knows how to access Lexipol and the policy manual.

I asked Renzi if he recalled being interviewed by OCSD Homicide Investigators several months ago regarding an Internal Criminal investigation into possible evidence related issues. Renzi recalled the interview and stated everything he told investigators was accurate.

Deputy Renzi told us he had four (4) different training officers while on training in Stanton. Phase 1 was with Deputy Wayne Scholl, Phase 2 was with Deputy Robert Rockwell, Phase 3 was with Deputy Tim Novinger, and Phase 4 was with Deputy [REDACTED]. Renzi stated he spent four weeks with each training officer with his last day of training being on 12-14-17.

Renzi did not recall any of his training officers instructing him on the collection and booking of evidence. I asked Renzi if any of his training officers had ever told him he to disregard OCSD evidence policies and/or hold onto evidence in his locker. Renzi stated none had and he held onto evidence on his own. ***Note: According to the ADORE training records, it shows Deputy Renzi was instructed on and performed "Evidence Collection and Preservation" procedures on 11-06-17; End of Phase 3 training. However, all of the "patrol procedures" noted were dated 11-06-17 as well.***

I spoke to Renzi about his booking of multiple pieces of evidence on 01-14-18 (relating to five DR's: 17-039422, 17-045020, 17-047849, 17-048901, and 17-049187). Renzi stated a "briefing memo" came out (on or about 01-14-18) reminding Deputies the evidence needs to be booked by the end of their shift. Renzi stated he knew he had evidence in his Stanton issued personal locker regarding the five listed DR's and that the evidence needed to be booked in. So Renzi booked in all pieces of evidence he had stored in his locker at one time.

Renzi stated none of his training officers or Sergeants knew he was keeping evidence in his locker and stated he was wrongly using his locker as a "temporary holding facility."

Note: I provided copies each to both Renzi and his representative of the 63 item chart (pages 12 through 16 of this memo) relating to this investigation. Due to the totalities of Renzi possibly violating various policies, I did not go over in detail each of the 17 cases that Renzi booked in evidence late. Regarding the investigation "findings" of 17 incidents where he booked evidence late, I asked Renzi if those numbers appeared "accurate" to him. He replied, "Yes." Renzi denied ever purposefully violating Department policy by withholding evidence. I concentrated on specific cases highlighted below.



DR 17-039422: I asked Renzi about this incident where he collected suspected methamphetamine (.2 grams) and a methamphetamine pipe. Renzi booked the evidence 101 days later. Renzi stated he collected the evidence in the field, placed it in a manila envelope, into his patrol bag, then at the end of shift he placed it in his Stanton issued personal locker. Renzi kept the evidence in the locker until the time of booking (101 days later). Renzi told us there "really wasn't a reason" why he kept the evidence in his locker for so long. Renzi believed he was "super busy with training" and overwhelmed (he was in Phase 2 of training). Renzi was also backlogged with reports and recalled having eight (8) DUI crash reports to complete in Phase 2 of training. Renzi believes he "forgot" to book these particular pieces of evidence but he told us he would have booked them eventually.

DR 17-045020: I asked Renzi about this incident where he collected a "loaded" syringe with suspected heroin as evidence. The evidence was booked 101 days later. Renzi recalled this incident and stated he was "backlogged" with DR's while on training and he "temporarily" held the evidence in his locker until booking.

DR's 17-047849 and DR 17-048901: I asked Renzi about these incidents where he collected methamphetamine (17-047849: booked 42 days later, 17-048901: booked 35 days later) as evidence. Renzi stated he had the "same reasoning" as the above DR 17-045020 for holding the evidence and booking it in late.

DR 17-036374: I asked Renzi about this incident where he collected a briefcase containing financial documents for "safekeeping." I told him there was not any evidence in Remedy reference this case. Renzi stated he recalled the incident and told me the following: He was dispatched to a "found property" call at a business where the owner of the property was unknown. He collected the briefcase and placed it in his patrol vehicle's trunk. Renzi forgot the briefcase in the trunk at the end of his shift. When he returned the next week, the briefcase was gone from the trunk of the patrol unit. Renzi could not locate the briefcase. I asked Renzi if he notified a Supervisor and/or documented this incident. He replied, "No sir."

DR 17-048773: I asked Renzi about this shoplifting incident where he collected a CD containing video footage from Walmart on 12-09-17. There is no evidence in Remedy regarding this case. Renzi recalled collecting the CD from Walmart loss prevention but after he submitted his report, he could not find the CD. Renzi did not recall booking it in and believes it was either misplaced or lost. **Note: In the DR written by Renzi, he wrote he collected the CD and "later" booked it into Sheriff's Evidence in Santa Ana.** Renzi told us the report was already "finished" (submitted) by the time he realized the CD was missing. I asked Renzi if he went back to Walmart to get a second CD, advised his supervisor, or documented the loss/misplacement of the CD. Renzi replied "no" to all three questions. I asked Renzi why he didn't document this. Renzi stated he "didn't think he knew how" to document it but admitted he should have sought guidance on how to.



DR 16-248944: I asked Renzi about this incident while he was assigned to custody where he collected a "kite" (jailhouse written note) as evidence. There is no evidence in Remedy regarding this case. Renzi recalled this incident and states he collected the "kite" then placed it into an envelope with the appropriate information written it (envelope). He then placed it in the "kite box" that was located on the exterior of the Classification Unit door. That was the last time Renzi saw the "kite." Renzi denied destroying the "kite." **Note: Renzi was aware of the Custody Intelligence Unit (CIU) "on the job training" that was recently given regarding "kites" are now to be hand delivered to the CIU.**

I told Renzi that out of the nineteen (19) cases where he collected photo CD's as evidence, eleven (11) of them we could not find in Remedy. I asked him if he knew what the reason would be for them not to be in evidence. Renzi stated he did not know the reason and explained his "procedure" regarding CD's is as follows: Once the photos were collected, Renzi would save them in his assigned OCSD "H Drive," download them onto a CD, place it in an OCCL envelope, then place the envelope in the OCCL collection box at the Stanton Substation. Renzi would not book them into the Sheriff's Remedy Evidence System during this investigation timeframe. Renzi told us to the "best of his knowledge" he followed this procedure regarding the cases of where CD's were "missing."

Note: The OCCL Photo Lab confirmed there can be a delay of a "few days" between when the deputy submits the evidence at their workplace and the date it is reflected in the OCCL computer tracking system. Before the policy change, Deputies usually would submit CD's of photos into the OCCL collection box only and not book them into evidence via the Remedy system.

I had Renzi read out loud **OCSD Policy 1019.11- Tampering with Evidence** which states: Members shall not fabricate, withhold, alter or destroy evidence of any kind. After, I asked him if he withheld evidence. Renzi replied he did so but didn't know he was violating policy at the time.

I had Renzi read out loud **OCSD Policy 1001.2 – Canon of Ethics, Canon two** which states: Peace officers shall be aware of and shall use proper and ethical procedures in discharging their official duties and responsibilities. **Standard 2.3** – Peace officers shall follow legal practices in such areas as interrogation, arrest or detention, searches, seizures, use of informants, and collection and preservation of evidence. I asked Renzi if he violated this policy as it relates to the "collection and preservation of evidence." Renzi replied, "Yes sir."

I had Renzi read out loud the **Field Operations Manual (FOM), Section "19 C. 4"** regarding collection of evidence where it specifically states: "Property and evidence WILL be secured in an authorized Property/Evidence locker by the end of shift. Placing items in an employee locker or in your personal vehicle for temporary storage is strictly prohibited." I asked Renzi if his personal locker in the Stanton station was an "authorized property/evidence locker." He responded, "No sir."



Renzi stated that it was his choice alone to hold onto evidence in his locker. No one had directed him to do so and no one had knowledge he was holding onto evidence. I asked Renzi why he would frequently write in his DR's, "I later booked [it] into evidence." Renzi told us he did that because he would have booked in the evidence at "some point." Renzi stated he understood the potential issues with "someone that goes to court" on a case where no evidence has been booked in or when the evidence is booked in late.

I asked Renzi what his procedure for booking in evidence is now. Renzi stated he now collects evidence in the field and "as soon as practical" books it in on the same shift. Since Renzi has returned from Administrative Leave, he has not held any evidence over by the end of his shift. Renzi told us he understood the "serious nature" of why he needs to book evidence in a timely manner. I asked Renzi, knowing what he knows now, if he would have done anything differently in the past regarding evidentiary procedures. Renzi stated he would have booked all evidence at the end of each shift.

I asked Renzi if he is taking full responsibility for his actions regarding this investigation. Renzi replied, "Yes sir."

End of interview

Included and/or Attached for Review:

- Initial Action
- Internal Memorandums
- 1 CD containing the Internal Affairs interview with Deputy Renzi
- Copy of Investigator D. Holloway's internal criminal investigation
- Copies of DR's associated with the IA interview of Renzi



Initial Action

Case #18-026

ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

1/19/2018

COMPLAINANT: Sheriff's Administration

COMPLAINANT DATE: 1/19/2018

DIVISION: North Operations

DIVISION COMMANDER: Captain D. Sawyer

INITIAL ACTION

- No Further Action
- Division Review
- Human Resources Investigation
- Division Personnel Investigation
- Personnel Investigation
(Requires Completion of Administrative Leave Authorization)

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION (Requires Administrative Leave Review)

- Internal Criminal
- Outside Agency _____

ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE AUTHORIZATION (AL checked requires AL Review)

- ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE
- NO ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE

[Signature] *INVESTIGATIVE COMMAND* *1-19-18*
 Executive Command (Employee's Command) Date

ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE REVIEW

[Signature] _____ *1-23-18*
 Executive Command (Field Ops/Investigative Command) Date

[Signature] _____ *1/19/18*
 Executive Command (Professional Services Command) Date

Initiating Memorandums

ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL MEMO



TO: Commander Stu Greenberg
FROM: Captain Dave Sawyer (DS)
DATE: January 19, 2018
RE: Request for Personnel Investigation

EMPLOYEE:

Deputy Vincent Renzi

Deputy [REDACTED]

COMPLAINANT:

OCSA Administration—North Operations Division

DATE / TIME OF ALLEGED MISCONDUCT:

January 14, 2018 and January 15, 2018

DIVISION / BUREAU:

North Operations / Stanton Police Services

POSSIBLE WITNESSES:

Lieutenant Sean Howell	Stanton
Sergeant Arturo Alvarez	Stanton
Sergeant [REDACTED]	Evidence / Property

Summary of Alleged Misconduct:

On 1-14-18, Stanton Patrol Deputy Vincent Renzi booked items of evidence into property associated to five separate DR numbers. The evidenced booked by Deputy Renzi were Narcotics. On 1-17-18, personnel assigned to Property/Evidence noticed that all five incidents were from late 2017. Property/Evidence personnel also found a discrepancy with narcotic evidence booked by Deputy [REDACTED]

Details of Incident:

On 1-18-18, Sergeant [REDACTED] contacted Stanton Patrol Sergeant Art Alvarez and advised him of the suspicious activity. Sergeant [REDACTED] reviewed CAD records and reports, and noticed Deputy Renzi had written reports on three occasions. In each report, Deputy Renzi stated he had booked evidence into property at the Stanton Sub-Station the day the incident occurred. On two occurrences, no report was written regarding contraband booked into evidence by Deputy Renzi on 1-14-18.

Deputy [REDACTED] was Deputy Renzi's training officer in 2017. Lieutenant Howell requested a check on records associated to Deputy [REDACTED]. Personnel assigned to Property/Evidence discovered Deputy [REDACTED] booked an assortment of narcotic evidence into property evidence on 1-15-18. CAD records indicate Deputy [REDACTED] had collected the evidence on 1-8-18. No report could be located regarding this incident.



Recommendations:

Based on preliminary information, I am requesting a personnel investigation into possible violations of Departmental policy related to standard of conduct, obedience to laws, violation of law and prohibited acts or omissions.

Attachments:

- Memo from Lieutenant Sean Howell
- Memo from Sergeant [REDACTED]
- Memo from Sergeant Arturo Alvarez
- CAD report for incident # 17-039422
- CAD report for incident # 17-045020
- CAD report for incident # 17-047849
- CAD report for incident # 17-048901
- CAD report for incident # 17-049187
- Property Tracking System record for incident # 17-039422
- Property Tracking System record for incident # 17-045020
- Property Tracking System record for incident # 17-047849
- Property Tracking System record for incident # 17-048901
- Property Tracking System record for incident # 17-049187
- Property Tracking System record for incident # 18-001081
- DR# 17-039422
- DR# 17-045020
- DR# 17-049187
- ADORE training records for Deputy Renzi

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INTERNAL AFFAIRS -
INITIATE INTERNAL
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION
ON BOTH RENZI + [REDACTED]
WILLIAM BAKER
1-19-18*



ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL MEMO



TO: Captain D. Sawyer
FROM: Lieutenant S. Howell
DATE: January 18, 2018
RE: Deputy Vincent Renzi and Deputy [REDACTED]

On January 18, 2018, at about 1700 hours, Sergeant Art Alvarez contacted me prior to the start his shift regarding Deputy Vincent Renzi failing to book evidence prior to the end of his shift. Sergeant Alvarez stated there were five cases from October 5, 2017 through December 12, 2017 where Deputy Renzi collected evidence while working patrol in the city of Stanton and failed to book the evidence prior to the end of his shift. This was discovered by the Sheriff's Property and Evidence team on January 17, 2018.

Sergeant Alvarez told me on January 18, at about 1420 hours, Sergeant [REDACTED] from Sheriff's Property and Evidence contacted him via phone regarding Deputy Vincent Renzi. Sergeant [REDACTED] stated on Sunday, January 14, 2018 at 2100 hours, Deputy Renzi booked five items of evidence into the Stanton Evidence Locker. On January 16, Sheriff's Property and Evidence discovered that the five items booked by Deputy Renzi were from five different cases from October 2017 through December 2017. On January 18, 2018 Sergeant [REDACTED] reviewed some of Renzi's police reports related to the case number assigned to the evidence. All of Renzi's reports indicated that the evidence was booked prior to the end of his shift. As soon as Sergeant [REDACTED] noticed the discrepancy he notified Sergeant Alvarez who is currently Deputy Renzi's patrol supervisors.

Sergeant Alvarez stated he was not aware of any indication that Deputy Renzi failed to properly book evidence prior to the end of his shift. Due to the fact that Deputy Renzi was assigned to patrol training on August, 18, 2017 and based on Sergeant [REDACTED] initial findings, I directed him to review all of Deputy Renzi's history of booking evidence while assigned to Stanton. I also requested Sergeant [REDACTED] review the training officers assigned to Renzi during the dates Renzi collected the evidence.

I reviewed Deputy Renzi's training files via the OCSO ADORE Training data base. The data base indicated that Deputy Renzi was trained on the proper procedures regarding evidence collection on November 11, 2017 (see attached report). I contacted Deputy Jason Howell with FTB and he stated Deputy Renzi was also provided a one hour lecture by the OCSO Crime Lab on the proper procedure of collection and booking of evidence during the FTB Patrol School.

Evidence collected by Deputy Renzi:

- 1) 17-039422 Collected evidence on 10-5-2017, 0000 hours and booked on 1-14-2018, 2106 hours
1 glass meth pipe & 1 baggie of .2 grams of a white crystalline substance
 - Report states, "later booked them into Sheriff's evidence in Stanton."
- 2) 17-045020 Collected evidence on 11-14-2017, 0000 hours and booked on 1-14-2018, 2059 hours
1 syringe loaded with a white substance



- Report states, I later booked the loaded syringe into Sheriff's evidence in Stanton and submitted a request for evidentiary examination on the contents of the syringe."
- 3) 17-047849 Collected evidence on 12-03-2017, 0000 hours and booked on 1-14-2018, 2021 hours
1 baggie containing .5 grams of a white crystalline substance
- No report on file
- 4) 17-048901 Collected evidence on 12-10-2017, 0000 hours and booked on 1-14-2018, 2054 hours
1 baggie containing 7.9 grams of a white crystalline substance
1 baggie containing .5 grams of a white crystalline substance
1 black nylon zip case
- No report on file
- 5) 17-049187 Collected evidence on 12-12-2017, 0000 hours and booked on 1-14-2018, 2109 hours
1 nylon baggie containing marijuana (unknown amount) for destruction
- Report states, "later booked it into Sheriff's evidence in Stanton for destruction."

On a completely separate incident, Sergeant [REDACTED] discovered that Training Officer Deputy [REDACTED] was assigned as Deputy Renzi's training officer during the above dates. Sheriff's records showed that Deputy [REDACTED] collected evidence on 1-8-2018, 1755 hours and booked the evidence on 1-15-2018, 0342 hours.

Evidence collected by Training Officer Deputy [REDACTED]

- 1) 18-001081 Collected evidence on 1-8-2018, 1755 hours and booked on 1-15-2018, 0342 hours
28.05 grams of methamphetamine
48 Xanax pills
1 glass meth pipe
1 digital scale
3 cellular phones
1 metal knuckles
- No report on file

Based on my initial review of the incident and Sergeant [REDACTED] findings, I believe Deputy Renzi and Deputy [REDACTED] possibly violated Sheriff's Department Policy and possibly Criminal Violations based on the fact that they withheld evidence from a criminal investigation. I recommend this incident be forwarded to Sheriff's Investigations and Internal Affairs for further investigation.

The following is a list of violations based on my findings:

- OCSD Field Operations Manual Section 19 Evidence



- C (4) Property and evidence WILL be secured in an authorized Property/Evidence locker by the end of shift.
- OCSO Policy 1019.11 Tampering with Evidence
 - Members shall not fabricate, withhold, alter or destroy evidence of any kind.
- Canon Two
 - Ethical standards
 - Standard 2.3 Peace officers shall follow legal practices in such areas as interrogation, arrest or detention, searches, seizures, use of informants, and collection and preservation of evidence.



ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL MEMO



TO: Lieutenant S. Howell
FROM: Sergeant [REDACTED]
DATE: January 19th, 2018
RE: Evidence Issue

On Thursday January 18, 2018 at approximately 0630 hours, my staff at Property and Evidence informed me regarding some concerns about evidence that was booked into the Remedy system. The items were five separate DR#'s involving narcotic violations. When the evidence items were being scanned by my staff they noticed that the items were collected on dates ranging from October 5th, 2017 at 0110 hours to December 12th, 2017 at 1855 hours. All these case items were booked into the Remedy system on January 14th, 2018 by Deputy Vincent Renzi #9143. For further details see attached paperwork. Due to the length in time from the initial collection date, my staff informed me of the situation.

I started to investigate the matter by looking into WebExtender for any reports regarding the booked evidence. I found three written reports in the system. For further details see attached paperwork. I looked up the original calls (See attached Call Detail information Report for further information) from the Cad report regarding the initial calls.

Due to the concern regarding the chain of evidence with the narcotic items from the initial date collected to the date booked into Remedy I contacted Sergeant A. Alvarez in Stanton. I spoke with Sergeant Alvarez over the phone and informed him of the situation and my concerns about the matter.

On Friday January 19th, 2018 after addressing the issue that occurred on January 14th, 2018 regarding the late booking of evidence, I checked to verify that this issue has not been a pattern with Deputy Renzi. I checked our Remedy booking system and found other items of concern regarding Deputy Renzi. As a result of my findings (See attached paperwork) I am submitting this information to you for review.

Sergeant [REDACTED]



ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL MEMO



TO: Lt. S. Howell
FROM: Sgt. A. Alvarez #7177
DATE: 01-18-18
RE: Deputy Renzi

Sir,

On Thursday, January 18, 2018 at approximately 1410 hours, I woke up to get ready to go to work. I checked my cell phone for any missed phone calls. I noticed I had a voice mail from an unknown phone number. I listened to the voice mail and discovered it was from Sgt. [REDACTED] who works property and evidence. Sgt. [REDACTED] requested I call him back. At approximately 1420 hours, I called Sgt. [REDACTED]. The following is a summary of our conversation:

Upon his return to work after being away during the extended holiday weekend and attending other department events, he was notified of some evidence that was booked in over the weekend that raised some concerns. On 1-14-18, Deputy Renzi booked in five articles of evidence. The concern arose when staff examined the dates for the items most of which consisted of narcotics or illegal substances. The collection dates for the items went as far back as October 2017 but were spread out in November and December 2017. The evidence booked consisted of methamphetamine, heroin and marijuana in varying amounts. Some of the items were booked in as evidence in criminal matters and some for destruction.

I advised Sgt. [REDACTED] that I would be following up on the situation. Due to the nature of the items in question, I feel further investigation is needed.

Respectfully submitted,

Sgt. A. Alvarez #7177



Supplemental Information



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CONFIDENTIALITY DIRECTIVE

Deputy Vincent Renzi, you are hereby ordered not to discuss this case (or any case in which you are a witness or a principal), using any form of communication, with anyone other than your employee representative, Internal Affairs Investigators or specific parties that may be designated by Internal Affairs.

For the purpose of this directive, the Internal Affairs Sergeant presenting this directive is your superior officer. Any violation of this directive may be considered a violation of Orange County Sheriff-Coroner Department Policy 1018.4 and subject you to possible discipline, up to and including dismissal.

OCSD Policy 1018.4 Insubordination

Members shall not be insubordinate. Intentional failure or refusal by any member of the department to obey a lawful order given by a superior officer shall be insubordination.

I have read and acknowledged the above admonition. I fully understand that I am required to make full, complete and truthful statements. Any refusal to do so will be considered insubordination, resulting in discipline up to and including termination.

Employee Signature

10-2-18

Date

Sergeant Signature

10.2.18

Date



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PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER PROCEDURAL BILL OF RIGHTS (POBOR)

You are being advised that your rights are fully outlined in the Public Safety Officers Procedural Bill of Rights Act, Government Code 3300-3311. Your rights include:

- 3303(b) You have the right to know who will be conducting the interview
- 3303(c) You have the right to know the nature of the investigation prior to the interview
- 3303(i) You have the right to have a representative of your choice present during the interview
- 3303(g) You have the right to record this interview with your own recorder
- 3303(g) Should it become necessary to interview you a second time reference this investigation, a copy of this interview will be made available to you prior to the second interview.

I have read and acknowledged the above advisement. I fully understand the above listed rights will be afforded me during this interview.

Employee Signature

10-2-18

Date

Sergeant Signature

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MIRANDA WARNING / LYBARGER ADMONISHMENT

Due to the nature of this administrative investigation, Government Code Section 3303(h) requires me to advise you of your rights. Therefore it is important that you understand that criminally:

- You have the right to remain silent. (Do you understand?)
- Anything you say may be used against you in court. (Do you understand?)
- You have the right to an attorney before and during any questioning. (Do you understand?)
- If you cannot afford an attorney, one will be appointed for you before questioning. (Do you understand?)

MIRANDA WAIVER

Waiver: With these rights in mind, would you like to speak to me?

YES

NO

I have read and acknowledge the above admonition and fully understand my Constitutional/Miranda Rights.

Employee Initials

(VR)

LYBARGER WARNING

Deputy Vincent Renzi, as a result of your refusal to waive your Miranda rights, and according to the Lybarger v- Los Angeles decision, I must advise you that the interview at this point will be administrative, and no part of this interview or information that is derived from this interview may be used in a criminal investigation. However, at the same time, since this is administrative, I must remind you that you must answer the questions and, should you refuse to answer any of the questions, that at some future date you may be charged with insubordination.

I have read and acknowledged the above Lybarger warning. I fully understand I am being compelled to answer any and all questions. Any refusal to do so will be considered insubordination, resulting in discipline up to and including termination.

Employee Initials

(VR)

VR
Employee Signature

10-2-18
Date

J.H.
Sergeant Signature

10-2-18
Date



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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE

In accordance with Article I, Section 7A of the Personnel and Salary Resolution, you are hereby notified that you are on administrative leave with pay effective immediately.

You are ordered to be on call and remain at your residence, or other designated location, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 0800 and 1600 hours, except for county holidays. You must contact Internal Affairs at (714) 834-5548 if you will be away from your residence or designated location during that time period.

Consent to leave must be authorized by the Professional Standards Division Captain, Lieutenant, or their designee. The use of sick, vacation, compensatory, or annual leave pay, etc. during administrative leave shall continue to be governed by the provisions provided in the memorandum of understanding for your employee group.

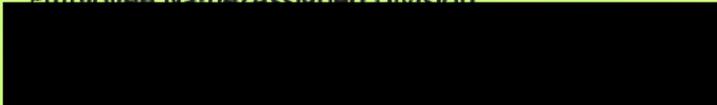
While on administrative leave, Internal Affairs will collect your duty weapon, magazines, department identification cards, and any county keys/access cards. Also, you will not be allowed on any county property without express authorization from Internal Affairs.

IMPORTANT: *It is recommended to keep this notice with you at all times when carrying a concealed weapon while on administrative leave. This notice may assist in your identification as a peace officer and to establish your authority to carry a concealed weapon. Verification of employment status can be obtained by contacting the Orange County Sheriff's Department's on-duty Department Commander at (714) 628-7170.*

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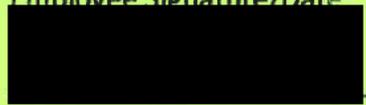
VINCENT RENZI / North ops.

Employee Name/Assigned Division



Residence/Designated Location Address

Employee Signature/Date



Phone Numbers(s)

1.19.18

Date

Executive Command

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS DIVISION



Case Report by Principal -

Print Date: 1/19/2018

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