

**PINELLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BUREAU  
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** JULY 27, 2020

**TO:** DISTRIBUTION

**FROM:** CAPTAIN RAY WHITELEY *Rw*  
Professional Standards Bureau

**SUBJECT:** SHERIFF'S FINDING

Per Sheriff Gualtieri, Deputy Rodney Mitchell, #59376, will receive the following as a result of AI-20-011:

1. Eight (8) hours Suspension to be served on:  
July 29, 2020.

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**PINELLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
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**DATE: JULY 24, 2020**

**TO: DEPUTY RODNEY MITCHELL, #59376**

**FROM: SHERIFF BOB GUALTIERI**

**SUBJECT: CHARGES RE: AI-20-011**

An investigation has been conducted by the Administrative Investigation Division, Professional Standards Bureau, of the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office. As a result of this investigation, the Administrative Review Board has determined you committed the following violation:

On, but not limited to, April 18, 2020, while on duty in Pinellas County, Florida, you violated the Pinellas County Sheriff's Civil Service Act Laws of Florida, 89-404 as amended by Laws of Florida 08-285, Section 6, Subsection 4, by violating the provisions of law or the rules, regulations, and operating procedures of the Office of the Sheriff.

1. You violated Pinellas County Sheriff's Office General Order 3-1.3, Rule and Regulation 3.31.c, Careless handling of firearms.

On April 18, 2020, while unloading your agency assigned firearm, you unintentionally discharged one (1) round into a clearing barrel. No one was injured as a result of this incident. This occurred on the property of the Pinellas County Jail.

You admitted to this violation.

Disciplinary Points and Recommended Discipline Range:

You were found to be in violation of one (1) Level Three Rules and Regulations violation totaling fifteen (15) points. These points, which were affected by no modified points from previous discipline, resulted in fifteen (15) progressive discipline points. At this point level, the recommended discipline range is from a Reprimand to a three (3) day Suspension.

Disciplinary action shall be consistent with progressive discipline, for cause in accordance with the provisions of the Pinellas County Civil Service Act.

Colonel Sean McGillen 3624  
COLONEL SEAN MCGILLEN  
DEPARTMENT OF DETENTION AND CORRECTIONS  
FOR BOB GUALTIERI, SHERIFF

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