

Thompson, Scott

From: Cook, Brian
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2011 9:45 AM
To: Thompson, Scott
Subject: RE: FYI

Proceed and keep me posted. if I don't answer my work cell call me at home [REDACTED] or personal cell [REDACTED].

Brian Cook, Warden
Pickaway Correctional Institution
614-877-4362 [REDACTED]

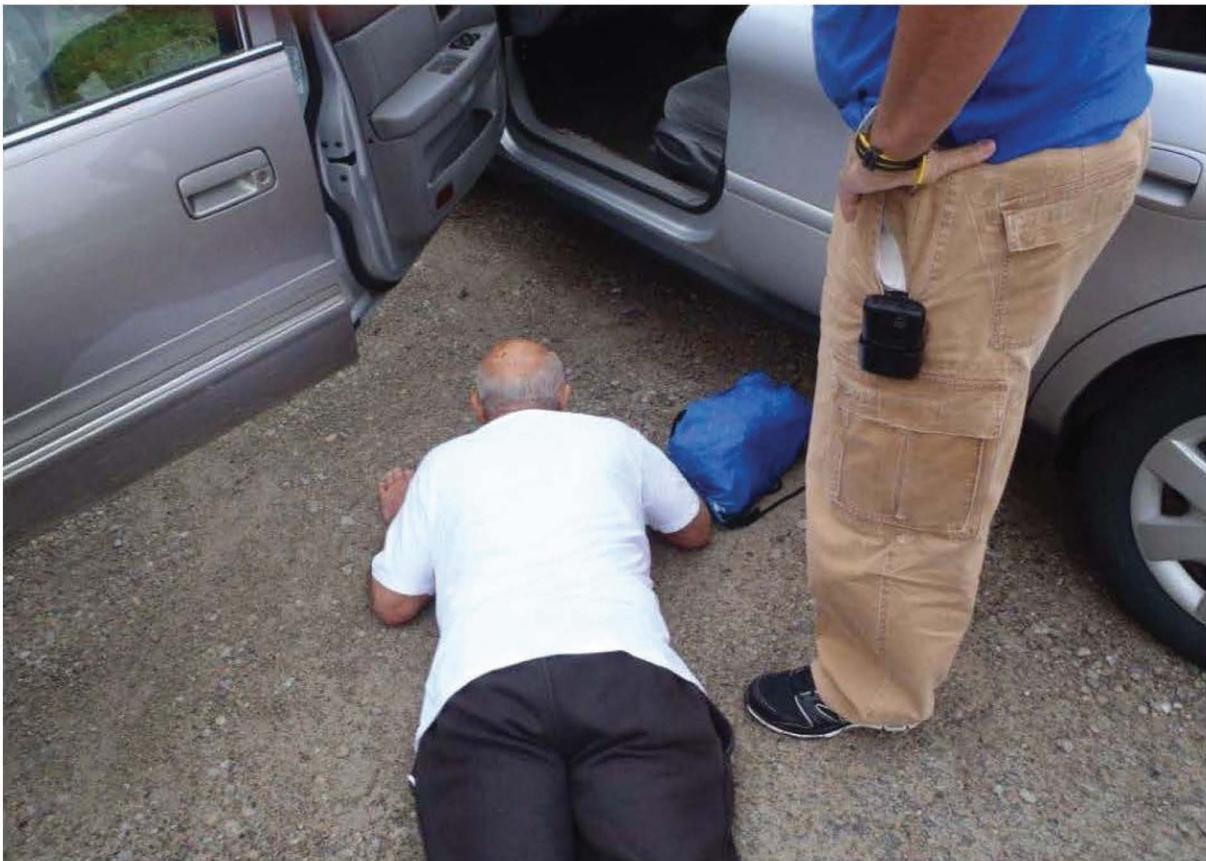
From: Thompson, Scott
Sent: Wednesday, May 25, 2011 3:00 PM
To: Cook, Brian
Subject: FYI

Brian, first of all why are you answering e-mails while on vacation but before you answer i understand. Hey just wanted to give you an FYI. I have been working on a case with DJ & Mark (DR&C Enforcement Unit) concerning Bill Card. I believe we have enough evidence to sink Bill on Friday if he shows up. Bill is suppose to meet up with an inmates family member to receive either money or other contraband. We are going to setup surveillance on this exchange. I don't know if the Patrol is on board yet because I feel its mostly administrative at this time. If the Patrol is not we are going to follow the female that's in Springfield and plus sit on Bill. Bill is off on Friday. If the Patrol pulls off and they meet I am going to get pictures on them meeting and then confront him about it. I am not going to ask any questions that would jeopardize any admin case but, inform him he needs to report to personnel office at 8:00 am for a fact finding interview. Let me know if you have any suggestions.....Scott

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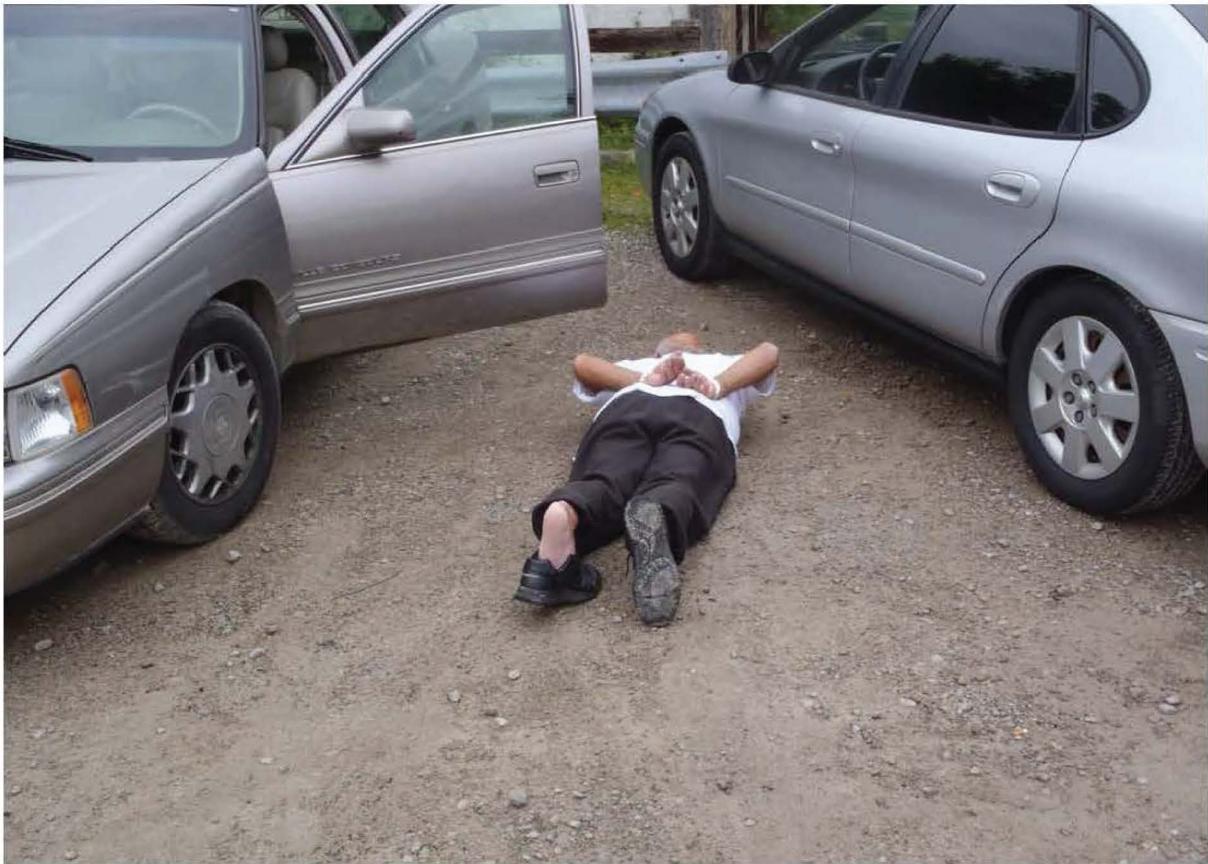
















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To: Brian Cook, Warden

From: Scott W. Thompson, Investigator

Date: June 7, 2011

Reference: William Card / Inmate [REDACTED] / [REDACTED] (Inmates Girlfriend)

Through an ongoing investigation into the illegal conveyance of drugs and other major contraband being conveyed onto the Pickaway Correctional Institution grounds commenced approximately 18 months ago on PCI Maintenance Department employee William Card. William Card has been suspected of dealing with inmates and their families during this time frame. Due to there not being any physical evidence through the course of this investigation the case against William Card has not been closed but, placed inactive. When any new evidence or rumors would surface the case would be re-opened and moved from inactive to active.

William Card's case was moved from inactive to active in the early weeks of April 2011 when PCI Investigator Scott W. Thompson and DR&C Enforcement Unit Employee Mark Herubin received information from a confidential informant that stated he received and paid for a cellular telephone. The confidential informant stated that his girlfriend met up with Inmate [REDACTED]'s [REDACTED] people on the street and gave them \$300.00 for the phone. When asked where the cellular telephone actually came from the confidential informant stated the "painter". It should be noted William Card is assigned as the institutional painter and Inmate [REDACTED] [REDACTED] works for William Card. Inmate [REDACTED] [REDACTED] also worked for William Card as a painter on his [REDACTED] institutional number.

With the information/evidence that was recovered Inmate [REDACTED]'s [REDACTED] recorded telephone calls were monitored.

On May 23, 2011 [REDACTED] tells Inmate [REDACTED] [REDACTED] that "old dude" called today, "Bill". Ms. [REDACTED] then stated they will do it on Friday and Inmate [REDACTED] [REDACTED] told Ms. [REDACTED] to do it whenever. It should be noted that Ms. [REDACTED] was planning on visiting Inmate [REDACTED] on Friday 5-27-2011.

On May 23, 2011 during another recorded telephone call [REDACTED] and Inmate [REDACTED] [REDACTED] again discuss speaking with the "old dude" and when she will possibly meet with him.

On May 24, 2011 during a recorded telephone conversation Inmate [REDACTED] [REDACTED] asks Ms. [REDACTED] if she still has that "guy's number". She said "yes". Inmate [REDACTED] [REDACTED] then tells Ms. [REDACTED] to meet with him as soon as possible. He tells her to call him tonight he will be waiting on your call. He tells her to arrange a time to meet with him.



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On May 24, 2011 during a second telephone conversation Ms. [REDACTED] tells Inmate [REDACTED] [REDACTED] that she has tried to contact "dude" several times but it only rings once and cuts off. Inmate [REDACTED] then stated "he wanted her to do it tomorrow".

On May 25, 2011 during a recorded telephone conversation Ms. [REDACTED] tells Inmate [REDACTED] [REDACTED] that she talked to "old dude" and that she told him she would see him on Friday.

On May 25, 2011 during a second telephone conversation on 5-25-11 Inmate [REDACTED] [REDACTED] tells Ms. [REDACTED] to go talk to "old dude" after their visit.

On May 26, 2011 during a recorded telephone conversation Ms. [REDACTED] confirms with Inmate [REDACTED] that she will be there on Friday around 9:00 AM.

With the evidence that was produced through the confidential informant and recorded telephone conversations Scott W. Thompson, PCI Investigator felt that there was enough evidence produced to run surveillance on [REDACTED] to see if the "old guy" or "Bill" was William Card. Authorization was granted from PCI Warden Brian Cook.

At this point in time this writer was not sure that it was PCI Employee William Card just this writers "gut feeling". This writer was not sure what time [REDACTED] was going to visit although; [REDACTED] stated she would be there in the AM. At this point in time this writer felt that this case was purely administrative but, you could not rule out anything criminally. All this information was relayed to Trooper Schlotterbeck. Trooper Schlotterbeck told this writer that there wasn't enough to go off of, and that if it turned out to be William Card (PCI employee) and if they meet and exchange anything that looked to be criminal in nature, detain them, call him and then he would come down.

On Friday May 27, 2011 at approximately 07:00 hour's surveillance teams (Scott Thompson, DJ Norris, and Mark Herubin) were put into place at [REDACTED] residence [REDACTED] Springfield, Ohio. The reason surveillance teams were put into place was due to making sure that if [REDACTED] met anyone prior to arriving at the prison the meeting would be documented and observed. At approximately 07:45 am [REDACTED] left her residence and took Route 40, to 70 West, and then State Route 665. [REDACTED] then took a right on Norton Road and followed it into the town of Harrisburg, Ohio.

While [REDACTED] was entering Harrisburg, Ohio, William Card had backed his car into a parking place close to the road at the Darby Tavern which sets on the corner or Darby Creek Road and 62. The Darby Tavern sets approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile from the most outer point of Harrisburg. [REDACTED] approached the light at 62 and Norton Road. [REDACTED] went through the light and pulled into the parking lot at the Darby Tavern. When [REDACTED] pulled into the parking lot the only other car in the lot was William Cards and they were approximately 12 – 15 feet apart.



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William Card got out of his car and approached [REDACTED] vehicle. This writer did not see any exchanges between the two but, noticed when William Card got out of his car he had nothing in his hands and when he returned he was holding a blue bag in his right hand. William Card was ordered down to the ground. Once on the ground William Card surrendered the blue bag. This writer Scott W. Thompson noticed the bag was not completely closed and observed a clear baggie containing money sitting on top. Due to [REDACTED] being an inmate's family member and William Card being a State DR&C employee, this writer felt that there was reasonable grounds to believe there was major contraband enclosed because of the money so, the contents of the bag was opened.

The blue bag was opened and four large see through vacuum sealed bag were inside. The sealed bags were not factory sealed and in their original packaging. After feeling around the vacuum sealed packages a small corner of another bag was detected inside the bag. Due to this package not being in the factory sealed container and another package was located inside it. Mark Herubin opened the packages and located the following items: (95) Black-n-Mild cigars, (2) Cell phones with chargers, (16) Ounces of marijuana, \$500.00 cash, and approximately 3 pounds of tobacco. Due to this case becoming criminal in nature after the package was opened William Card was placed in handcuffs but, was not in handcuffs prior to the package being opened. After the contents were opened this writer (Scott Thompson) notified Trooper Schlotterbeck of the contraband that was detected just like he instructed this writer to do.

After consulting with Trooper Schlotterbeck and the Pickaway County Prosecutor for approximately ½ hour William Card and [REDACTED] were released own their own recognizes, addresses and telephone numbers were verified prior to releasing. Trooper Schlotterbeck took possession of the cell phones, cash and marijuana.

William Card was placed on paid Administrative Leave pending the outcome of an Administrative Investigation.

Staff That Were Interviewed

William Card – Refused Administrative Interview (DR&C 1000 enclosed)

Inmates That Were Interviewed

Inmate [REDACTED] [REDACTED] –Refused to answer questions

William Card, Statement, Q&A

Sir: Please be advised on Friday June 3, 2011 William Card placed a call to the PCI Warden's office between the hours of 08:00 am -08:30 am. When Mr. Card called to report in, Karen Harget instructed Mr. Card that per Scott Thompson, Institutional Investigator that he needed to report to PCI Monday morning for his part in an ongoing Administrative Investigation. At approximately 08:16 am on



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Monday June 6, 2011 Mr. Card called to report in and told Karen Harget that he was not coming in that per his attorney's instructions. Karen Harget immediately notified Scott Thompson that Mr. Card had called and what he stated.

After consulting with Warden Cook Scott Thompson placed a telephone call to Mr. Card at approximately 08:37 am. Mr. Card stated that he was not coming due to his attorney telling him not to. Scott Thompson advised Mr. Card that he was handling the Administrative side of his case and that per the employee code of conduct that he is required to cooperate with this investigation and that disciplinary action could be imposed if he did not. Mr. Card was asked once again if he was going to report to PCI this morning and he stated "no my attorney told me not to come". (This was documented on a DR&C 1000 – enclosed in packet/report)

Therefore William Card did not and has refused to make a statement for meeting an inmate's family member.

Inmate [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Statement, Q&A

Inmate refused to make a statement and therefore failing to cooperate with investigation – conduct report written.

Finding of Facts

- On May 27, 2011 at approximately 09:00 hours PCI Employee William Card met with [REDACTED] (Inmate [REDACTED] [REDACTED] girlfriend) at the Darby Tavern.
- On May 27, 2011 at approximately 09:00 hours PCI Employee William Card received a package from [REDACTED]
- On May 27, 2011 at approximately 09:00 hours PCI Employee William Card received a package from [REDACTED] that had the following items enclosed: 16 ounce = 1 pound of Marijuana, (2) Samsung Cellular Telephones, (98) Black and Mild Cigars, (3) pounds of tobacco and \$500.00 cash.
- William Card received all these items from [REDACTED]
- On June 6, 2011 at approximately 08:37 am William Card failed to cooperate with an official investigation by not reporting to PCI for a scheduled Administrative Interview. At 08:37 am William Card was contacted by Scott W. Thompson. William Card stated to Scott W. Thompson that he was not coming into PCI to answer any questions because his attorney advised him not to.
- Scott W. Thompson explained to William Card that he did not have a choice per the employee code of conduct he was to cooperate with the investigation and that he needed to show up for his Administrative Interview and William Card refused.

Conclusion



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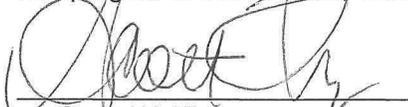
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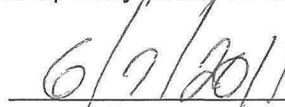
After reviewing all the evidence in this case I find there is sufficient evidence that shows William Card has violated DR&C Policy 31-SEM-02 - Standards of Employee Code of Conduct.

- All Department employees are required to immediately report to their Appointing Authority or designee, any violation or attempted violation of any law, regulation, act, or omission by any person, which may result in a breach of institutional security or jeopardizes the safety of others. The Appointing Authority or his/her designee will investigate all allegations misconduct. Where appropriate, investigations will be coordinated and conducted by the Office of the Chief Inspector and/or other appropriate agencies. During the course of any official investigation, employees are under an affirmative duty to cooperate fully with investigators by answering all inquiries truthfully, and by providing any and all pertinent information of which they possess. Failure by any employee to answer any inquiry truthfully, fully, and to the best of the employee's knowledge shall be grounds for disciplinary action, up to and including removal from employment.
- Illegal conduct on the part of any employee, whether on or off duty, in addition to being unlawful, reflects upon the integrity of the Department and betrays the trust and confidence placed in it by the public. It is a reasonable expectation that employees will not only obey the letter of the law but the spirit of the law, whether engaged in personal or official activities.
- Employees shall not, without the express authorization from their Appointing Authority, show partiality toward or become physically, emotionally, or financially involved or establish a pattern of social fraternization with inmates, releases, or offenders under supervision of the APA or any other individual currently under supervision of the Department, or with any individual within 6 months following their release from custody or from supervision of the Department or families of same.
- For purposes of this document contraband is defined as "any" article which is intended for the unauthorized use or possession of any offender or which is prohibited by law or which Department policy prohibits from being carried onto the grounds of any institution, detention facility, or office under the control of the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction. The introduction of contraband into or upon the grounds of any institution or office, or taking or attempting to take contraband there from, or otherwise trafficking in contraband without the knowledge and consent of the Appointing Authority of such institution is prohibited.

Keeping all of this in mind, I recommend further disciplinary action be imposed.



Scott W. Thompson



Date