

## Rick Staly, Sheriff

## FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## Man Arrested for Trafficking in Methamphetamine

Just before 7:00 a.m. on Thursday morning, Sheriff's deputies arrested Jeremy Toumbs, DOB 10/24/1979, on charges of trafficking in methamphetamine and possession of crack cocaine stemming from a July search warrant. Deputies and detectives from the Special Investigations Unit waited for Toumbs at his jobsite. Toumbs fled upon seeing law enforcement and tried to dispose of marijuana and hydrocodone pills before deputies caught up with him.

The Flagler County Sheriff's Office executed a narcotics search warrant in July at 17 Port Lane in Palm Coast. A variety of narcotics were recovered, resulting in the arrest of Toumbs on charges of possession of a controlled substance without a prescription and possession of marijuana under 20 grams.

At the time of that arrest, a Styrofoam cup with a white sludge-like mixture was recovered, and inside the sludge-like mixture was a rock-like substance that tested positive for the presence of cocaine. The mixture was forwarded to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's Crime Laboratory for a chemical analysis.

Results from the chemical analysis indicated that the substance was actually methamphetamine and weighed 25.64 grams. The threshold for trafficking in methamphetamine is 14 grams.

"Sometimes it takes time to build a case," Sheriff Rick Staly said. "We had to be patient and wait on lab results to come in. In this case, we took another drug dealer off the streets of Flagler County and put him back in the Green Roof Inn where he belongs. Our patrol deputies and SIU detectives did a great job."

Toumbs was booked into the Flagler County Detention Facility and is being held on a \$39,000.00 bond. In addition to the trafficking and cocaine charges, Toumbs faces charges of possession of hydrocodone, possession of marijuana under 20 grams, and fleeing and eluding law enforcement from today's arrest.

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