



Rick Staly, Sheriff

FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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NEWS RELEASE

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Marijuana Found in a Secure Area of the Flagler County Jail, Probationary Civilian Employee Arrested

A probationary Flagler County Sheriff's Office civilian CCTV Operator at the Flagler County Detention Facility was arrested Tuesday morning and charged with Introduction of Contraband into a Detention Facility, a felony, and a misdemeanor charge of Possession of Marijuana.

Flagler County Sheriff's K-9 units routinely do walk-throughs at the Flagler County jail to sniff for contraband. During a routine inspection on Tuesday morning, K-9 Tag alerted deputies to a locker in the employee area of the jail assigned to Victoria Ferguson. Sheriff Staly ordered an immediate investigation and Ferguson's locker was searched. Under 3 grams of marijuana was located within Ferguson's purse.

"I am very disappointed that a Sheriff's Office employee would violate our drug free workplace and other policies and bring drugs into the jail," Sheriff Rick Staly said. "I will not tolerate employees tarnishing the good reputation of our agency and the many men and women that work hard to serve our community in an ethical and professional manner. I hope she enjoys looking out from the other side of the bars now!"

Ferguson was immediately arrested on the charges and fired for failure to meet the conditions of her probationary period. She is being held at the Flagler County jail on a \$3,000.00 bond.

Ferguson had been employed with the Flagler County Sheriff's Office since May 24, 2017.

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