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Officer Sustains Broken Nose and Cheekbone After Inmate Assault

Inmate Attacks Officer During Routine Escort

Fallsburg, NY – An inmate, serving a 5 year sentence at Sullivan Correctional Facility, punched a corrections officer in the face during a routine escort at the facility which caused the officer to sustain a broken nose and fractured left cheekbone.

The incident occurred on January 19 at approximately 8:30 PM at the maximum security prison. Inmate Edwin Duclosel was being escorted through a prison corridor when he became disruptive and would not comply with escort procedures. The officer ordered the inmate to the wall, at which time he struck the officer with a closed fist to his face.

Additional officers responded to the scene and used body holds to bring Duclosel to the floor. Restraints were applied and he was taken to a special housing unit.

The officer was treated at the facility and transferred to Catskill Regional Medical Center for treatment. He was treated for a broken nose, fractured left cheekbone and swollen left eye. He did not return to duty.

Two of the responding officers sustained minor injuries and were treated by facility medical staff. They remained on duty.

Duclosel, 38, is serving a five year sentence for Assault 2nd.

New York State Police were notified of the incident.

“2014 turned out to one of the most dangerous for our officers who work inside our prisons and protect all New Yorkers from violent criminals. Inmates attacked and assaulted our members on a regular basis. As we enter the new year, those assaults continue to occur. We are resolute in the fact that our

members should be provided with the necessary resources and staffing to protect them from unprovoked attacks,” stated Mike Mazzella, Mid-Hudson Region Vice President.

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