



Inmate Injures Staff at Five Points Correctional Facility

During Assault Inmate Bites a Sergeant and Two Officers

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Romulus, NY – Five officers and a sergeant were injured when a 25-year-old inmate attacked staff while they attempted to escort him to a Special Housing Unit after being found guilty of disciplinary charges at the maximum-security correctional facility.

On Saturday, September 6, the inmate was ordered to be placed in a Special Housing Unit after being found guilty in a disciplinary hearing. Staff ordered the inmate to exit his cell, which he complied with. He was placed in handcuffs and escorted to a holding cell. In the holding cell, the inmate spit at a sergeant, striking him in the upper body and face. The inmate was removed by staff from the holding cell to be escorted to a special housing unit. Once entering the special housing unit his handcuffs were removed, and he was ordered to place his hands against the wall so he could be frisked for contraband. Prior to being frisked, once the second cuff came off, he turned off the wall and bit an officer on his hand. The sergeant and five officers grabbed the inmate in a body hold and forced him to the floor where he remained combative, kicking at staff. While attempting to subdue the inmate and get him back into handcuffs, the inmate bit the sergeant several times on his hand, wrist and on his thigh. The inmate was able to get both arms underneath his body to

thwart officers from applying handcuffs. During the struggle, the inmate bit a second officer on his hand. Using the necessary force, staff were able to get both arms out from under his body and apply handcuffs. He was brought to his feet and escorted to a room to complete a strip frisk. He remained combative during the entire frisk.

Once the frisk was completed, he was placed in a Special Housing Unit.

One officer and the sergeant sustained several bite marks which broke the skin. They also sustained shoulder injuries subduing the inmate. The second officer bitten did not break the skin. He also sustained a knee injury. The other two officers injured sustained shoulder, arm, and knee injuries subduing the inmate. All staff were treated by medical staff at the facility. Five officers remained on duty. The sergeant was transported to Thompson Medical Center for further treatment and did not return to duty.

The inmate is serving a six-to-seven-year sentence after being convicted in Erie County in 2022 for Assault 1st and Attempting to Promote Prison Contraband 1st.

“This assault at Five Points details out how difficult it is for staff to subdue an extremely combative inmate. Not only did he assault officers and a sergeant by biting them and breaking through the skin, but he also continued to be combative, injuring two more officers who were attempting to get him under control. Most people don’t understand this is occurring in a small, contained environment where staff get injured on concrete floors or being thrown into metal cell bars. This is exactly why the HALT Act failed so miserably. Inmates like this, who is scheduled for a parole interview in six months, know there are no real disciplinary actions that DOCCS can take when an inmate assaults staff. It is a direct result of the failed progressive criminal justice policies of State Legislature that has put us here and until they understand this, our members will continue to be punching bags for the inmates!”-stated Kenny Gold, NYSCOPBA Western Region Vice President.