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Inmate Attacks Sergeant at Mid – State Correctional Facility

Sustains Facial Fractures and Deviated Septum

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Marcy , NY – A 31-year-old inmate at Mid-State Correctional Facility violently assaulted a sergeant at the medium-security facility over the weekend, causing serious facial injuries.

On Saturday, January 24, a response was called for two inmates who were involved in an argument. A sergeant responded and ordered one of the inmates to submit to a pat frisk and place his hands on the wall. The inmate refused to comply and suddenly turned, striking the sergeant in the face.

Two officers on scene immediately intervened, placing the inmate in a body hold and forcing him to the ground. With the assistance of an assigned National Guardsman, the inmate's legs were secured in a body hold to prevent him from kicking staff. His arms were forced behind his back, and he was placed in handcuffs.

The inmate was brought to his feet and escorted to the infirmary for evaluation. Following the evaluation, he was admitted to a Residential Rehabilitation Unit (RRU).

The injured sergeant was initially treated by medical staff at the facility. He suffered significant bleeding from his nose, which appeared displaced, and was transported to Wynn Hospital for further treatment. Medical personnel determined the sergeant sustained two facial fractures and a deviated septum that will require corrective surgery.

“This was a brutal and violent assault that will leave another staff member out of work for weeks while he recovers from serious facial injuries,” said Bryan Hluska, Central Region Vice President. “The inmate, who is serving a five-year sentence for Attempted Criminal Possession of a Weapon, should be prosecuted by the Oneida County District Attorney’s Office for felony assault. Prosecution will not only extend his current sentence but will hold him accountable for this vicious attack. Successful prosecution, where appropriate, is literally the last line of defense our members must have to protect themselves and ensure accountability. It’s time for lawmakers to come back to the table and make revisions to the HALT Act, listen to the professionals on the front lines and stop guessing at what keeps prisons safe and staff secure.”