

Officer Assaulted, Injured at Sing Sing Correctional Facility

Officer Sustains Fracture Nose

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Ossining, NY – An inmate attending a disciplinary hearing attacked an officer as he entered the hearing room at Sing Sing Correctional Facility.

The incident occurred on Monday, August 26, at approximately 12:45 p.m. Staff were conducting a disciplinary hearing with the inmate when the attack occurred. When the officer entered the room, the inmate jumped from his chair and punched the officer in the face. The inmate struck the officer a second time in the face before staff grabbed him in a body hold and got him into mechanical restraints.

The inmate, 41 years old, was removed from the room and placed in a Special Housing Unit. He is serving a life sentence after being convicted in Tompkins County for Murder 2nd, Manslaughter 1st, Attempted Robbery 1st and Attempted Kidnapping 2nd in 2003.

The injured officer was taken to an outside hospital for treatment. He sustained a fractured nasal bone. He did not return to duty.

"Simply put, this was a vicious attack by a violent felon who showed no regard for staff or for discipline. Regardless of the length of his sentence, there needs to be strong internal discipline that deters attacks like this. Short of that, our members will continue to be targets and that is unacceptable." – stated Dave Luther, NYSCOPBA Southern Region Vice President.