

Internal Investigation

Joseph Hall

Case# 07-058-23

Background

Sgt. Murray and Inv. Clint Campbell I was contacted by Chief deputy Bill Black to open an internal investigation on Joseph Hall regarding possible misconduct in the Bulloch County Jail on June 4th, 2023. A grievance was received that Joseph Hall entered into cell b-4 and inappropriately touched inmate Christopher Jones on the buttocks.

Interview with Christopher Jones

On August 1, 2023, I contacted Christopher Jones and asked him if he would like to provide a statement as to the occurrence of June 4th, 2023. He provided that statement. In that statement, he stated that he refused to pack up his belongings and be moved to another cell because he felt this was in retaliation from when he was initially booked into the jail. Christopher Jones further stated that when Joseph Hall handcuffed him in cell B-4 and turned him around to be led out of cell b-4, he claimed that Joseph Hall "slapped him on his left butt cheek with his right hand".

Interview with Roy Franks

On 08/1/2023, Sgt. Murray spoke with Roy Franks who was another inmate that was inside cell b-4. He was asked to provide a statement about the incident that occurred on June 4th, 2023. He agreed to do so. He stated that he was laying on his bunk and Chris Jones was fussing with Officer Hall while he was being put in handcuffs. He further stated that Officer Hall had Chris Jones by the arm and said, "let's go" and the officer "patted jones on the ass".

Camera Footage Review

Sgt. Murray was provided with a copy of the jail footage that captured the incident. In reviewing the jail footage, Officer Joseph Hall and Officer Mikayla Anderson were observed standing at the entrance of cell b-4 for approximately 2 minutes. During this time, it appears that Officer Joseph Hall is having a conversation with Christopher Jones. The camera footage further reveals that Joseph Hall handcuffed Christopher Jones inside b-4 and was escorted out. I did not observe any grabbing or slapping that is consistent with Christopher Jones allegation.

Interview with Joseph Hall and Mikayla Anderson

On 08/05/2023 @ 0926, Sgt. Murray and Inv. Clint Campbell interviewed Joseph Hall. Mr. Hall was read his Garrity rights and signed his statement of rights. Inv. Clint Campbell asked Joseph Hall did he grab or slap Christopher Jones on the butt? Mr. Hall stated that he handcuffed Christopher Jones and that he did not slap him on his butt. Furthermore, the jail incident report that was provided by Mr. Hall indicated that he handcuffed him and escorted him to his new cell.

Joseph Hall was assisted in this incident by Officer Mikayla Anderson. She was also interviewed on 08/05/2023. She was read her Garrity rights, and she signed her statement of rights. She was asked if Joseph Hall touched Christopher Jones' butt and she stated that he did not. Both Joseph Hall and Mikayla Anderson denied any inappropriate touching or slapping

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STATEMENT FORM- WITNESS

NAME: Jones (LAST) Christopher (FIRST) C (MIDDLE)

DATE OF BIRTH: [REDACTED] 84

SOCIAL SECURITY #: [REDACTED]

DRIVER=S LICENSE #: _____ STATE: GA

HOME PHONE #: _____ CELL PHONE # [REDACTED]

ADDRESS [REDACTED] Story Rd (ADDRESS) Sylvania (CITY) GA (STATE) 30467 (ZIP)

EMPLOYER: Grandson Hustle LLC WORK PHONE #: _____

CURRENT SCHOOL: _____

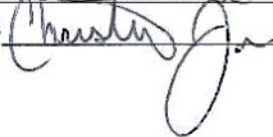
On the morning of 6-4-23, I was peacefully protesting a statement made by Ms. ~~Jones~~ Mercer. She told us that they didn't have to feed us. I was talking on intercom to her supervisor Sgt. Scroggins who I HIGHLY respect and had requested to report Ms. Mercer. After Sgt. Scroggins showed support in favor of Ms. Mercer, I disagreed but respected her decision. There were about 4 of us involved in that by the way. I then called into the bubble via intercom and told Ms. Mercer don't feed me for lunch. It was at this time that Officer Joe Hall told me, AND ONLY ME I had 3 seconds to go to my cell. As the camera will display, this command is literally a physical impossibility given that my cell is upstairs, none the less, I complied with ridiculous command to the

SIGNATURE Christopher Jones

WITNESS _____

of my physical abilities. I was then told by Officer Joe Hall to pack up my belongings. Being that this was clearly in retaliation to my intake on 5.15 when I refused a search of my rectum and was put in the Hole also and the ridiculousness of this command and the fact that I complied none the less and went to my cell, I felt this was unfair and ~~was~~ did not pack my stuff because I had done nothing wrong. My fellow inmates also felt the same way. About 1min later, Officer Joe Hall comes into my cell that he wrote I refused to go and told me I had 10 seconds to pack my things. I repeatedly asked for a ranking officer and asked why I was being taken to the hole but got no response. It was at this time he turned me around and cuffed me WAY too tight. Officer Joe Hall then, slapped my left butt cheek with his right hand and led me out because of the awkward positioning of carrying all my things, Mat, Blanket, laundry bag etc ~~behind~~ behind my back I have most certainly injured my lower back. I was then taken to Block for the second time by this officer and housed in a cell with mold everywhere, toilet leaks, no intercom and no contact with my loved ones or attorney FOR NO REASON. The report submitted by Officer Joe Hall is a BLATANT LIE and can easily be discredited by camera footage and inmates who were present. I am a peaceful man who understands circumstances and have NEVER received disciplinary action for anything anywhere else I have been, Ask any officer here I always comply with reasonable request and have never given any of them any problems. The only problem is Officer Joe Hall

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STATEMENT FORM- WITNESS

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(LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE)

DATE OF BIRTH: _____
SOCIAL SECURITY #: _____
DRIVER=S LICENSE #: _____ STATE: _____
HOME PHONE #: _____ CELL PHONE #: _____
ADDRESS: _____
(ADDRESS) (CITY) (STATE) (ZIP)

EMPLOYER: _____ WORK PHONE #: _____
CURRENT SCHOOL: _____

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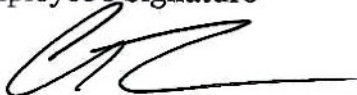
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: I have read and understand the above notification.



Employee's Signature

8-5-23 0926
Date Time



Investigator's Signature

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08/05/23
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Jail Incident Report

Case #: J2023-6-4419 202 - DISOBEYING LAWFUL Officer: HALL, JOSEPH
Inc Date: 06/04/2023 06:53 Use of Force: Supervisor: SCROGGINS, TONIA
Rep Date: 06/04/2023 06:53 Appr. Officer:
Location: B BLOCK Approval Date:

Inmates Involved

Name	Involvement
JONES, CHRISTOPHER CHARLES	

Description:

Officers Involved

Name	Involvement
HALL, JOSEPH	

Description:

Narratives

06/04/2023 HALL, JOSEPH

ON THE ABOVE DATE AT THE APPROXIMATE TIME I DEPUTY HALL ORDERED B BLOCK TO LOCK DOWN AFTER COMPLETING MORNING TRAYS. INMATE CHRISTOPHER JONES REFUSED AND INSTEAD CALLED UP TO THE TOWER STATING "DON'T FEED ME THIS AFTERNOON THEN" AND SAT BACK DOWN AT THE TABLE. AT THAT POINT I ORDERED INMATE JONES TO PACK HIS BELONGINGS AND PREPARE TO BE MOVED AND HE REFUSED AND INSTEAD STOOD AT HIS CELL DOOR UNTIL I ENTERED THE DORM. I THEN PLACED INMATE JONES IN HANDCUFFS AND ESCORTED HIM TO HIS NEW CELL IN L- 4 WITHOUT INCIDENT WHERE HE IS TO REMAIN UNTIL JUNE 18TH 2023. AT NO POINT WAS FORCED USED. ~END OF REPORT JLH 462~