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## ***Female Inmate Injures Four Officers at Albion Correctional Facility***

*Attack Occurs Inside Bathroom at Facility*

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**Albion, NY** – A 33 year old inmate, who is serving a five year sentence for gun and drug possession, attacked a female officer inside the bathroom of the medium security correctional facility last Friday and injured three other officers who came to the her assistance.

On February 20th, the inmate became irate and created a disturbance while in the intake area waiting to give a urine sample. The officer attempted to deescalate the situation by ordering the inmate away from other inmates and into the bathroom. Initially, the inmate complied and entered the bathroom with the officer following her. Inside the bathroom, the inmate suddenly turned and punched the officer multiple times in the face. The officer immediately grabbed the inmate in a body hold as a second officer entered the bathroom. Both officers forced the inmate to the floor where she remained combative. Two other officers responded and assisted in applying handcuffs to the inmate. Once in handcuffs, she became compliant. She was brought to her feet and escorted out of the bathroom.

Three officers who responded to the attack sustained shoulder and knee injuries while subduing the inmate. They were treated by medical staff at the facility and remained on duty.

The officer who was initially assaulted, sustained bruising and swelling to her eye lid, cheek, and jaw. She also sustained scratches to both arms. After being treated at the facility, she sought outside further medical treatment only to find out her wrist was broken, and still has not returned to duty.

The inmate, who was convicted of Criminal Possession of a Weapon 2<sup>nd</sup> and Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 2<sup>nd</sup> in Cayuga County in 2022, was placed in a Special Housing Unit after the attack. She was arrested in 2022 after firing a gun in downtown Auburn.

“The public forgets that the females that are incarcerated in our state prisons are just as dangerous as their male counterparts. This attack is certainly a stark reminder that this is the case. This incident should be charged as a felony assault. This officer, like many other that are assaulted, works many hours of mandatory overtime, consistently being treated like crap, and feel like they became punching bags for the inmates and the legislators that only care about coddling convicts! A few months back, this officer was commended by the department for going above and beyond and received a black eye and a cast on her wrist as a reward. In what world does giving no consequences to convicted felons for bad behavior sound right? These legislators need to open their eyes and recognize their policies are going to get our members killed!” said Kenny Gold, Western Region Vice President.