



Three Officers Injured at Five Points Correctional Facility

Inmate Scheduled to be Release Next Week Attacks Staff in Holding Pen

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Romulus, NY – A 23 year old inmate schedule to be released on October 5, attacked and injured three officers in a holding cell at the maximum security correctional facility on September 13.

Initially the inmate was ordered out of the holding cell to be escorted to the infirmary. The inmate refused several orders to exit the cell. The cell door was opened and three officers entered the cell and placed the inmate in a body hold and forced him into the corner of the cell. The inmate became combative and kicked one officer several times in the groin, upper leg and knee. He kicked a second officer in the hand as the officers struggled to contain the inmate. The officers were able to force the inmate to the floor, where he remained combative. One of the officers maintained control of the inmate's legs as another officer applied leg restraints. Once in restraints, the inmate became compliant. He was brought to his feet and escorted to the infirmary for evaluation.

The three injured officers were treated by medical staff at the facility. The two officers who were kicked, sustained pain and swelling to the upper leg, knee, groin, hand and shoulder. Both officers remained on duty. The third officer sustained an abrasion to his elbow subduing the inmate.

The inmate is currently serving a two to six year sentence for Criminal Possession of Stolen Property 4th. He originally was arrested for armed robbery of a convenient store in Broome County in 2018.

“It is incomprehensible that an inmate with a little more than a week on his prison sentence would attack staff and jeopardize his impending freedom, one would think, but not in NYS! The inmate even made threats to the officers that when he was released from prison he would be waiting for them in the parking lot. This is the type of violent inmate our members have to face every day inside of jails across the state. If this inmate is willing to attack and injure staff, including a female officer with little more than a week to his release, there is no way he should be walking free and be a threat to the public. Unfortunately we continue to point to the HALT Act as the catalyst of the record breaking violence, and the lawmakers in the super majority sit silently and worry only about the inmates. What if this was a legislators daughter that was assaulted-would they listen then? They have a duty to protect the employees inside facilities like Five Points and they turn their backs to our members and fail us every day!”-stated Kenny Gold, Western Region Vice President.