



San Diego County SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Reentry Services Division - Training

Prohibited Association

Purpose

The purpose of this training is to raise awareness regarding prohibited associations. Prohibited associations start with information gathering by the inmate. One of the biggest contributors to an inmate gaining knowledge about you is the open discussion of personal information in ear shot of or directly to inmates. If you are consistent and professional, you are less likely to be compromised and placed in a prohibited situation.

Department policy 2.9 - Associations states:

*Employees shall not associate on either a personal or business basis or have dealings with persons whom they know, or should know, or have reason to believe are, or have been racketeers, sexual offenders, drug dealers, illegal drug users, illegal gamblers, persons whom the employee suspects, or should suspect, are involved in felonious activities, convicted felons, persons held in county custody, felons serving or who have served time in custody, or persons under criminal investigation or indictment, except as necessary to the performance of official duties, or where unavoidable because of other personal relationships. (09-21-04)
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Discussion

Questions:

1. Where did former Deputy Felix go wrong?
2. What were the mistakes Felix made which led up to him being manipulated?
3. What could Felix have done to prevent this?
4. Do you think other staff members could have prevented this from happening?
5. During his academy training, Felix stated he was told about the possibility of staff members being conned or manipulated but never thought it could happen to him. **If Felix never thought that, do you think you can be conned or manipulated?**
6. Felix said, "*I fell for it, I was oblivious to the fact that the inmates were using me. I was a pawn. I was blind.*" **What do you think about his comments?**
7. What are the potential consequences of violating the Department's association policy?

Formal Discipline (Termination)

Jeopardize Officer Safety, Facility Security, Family Safety

Potential for Physical Harm

Prosecution

Civil Liability