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**Subject:** Public Records Request - Gregory Edwards Jail Video

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Debra Holt  
Brevard County Sheriff's Office

July 31, 2019

Ref: Public Record Request – Internal Affairs Investigation – Inmate Gregory Edwards’  
In-custody Death

Follow-up to our request for the INTERNAL AFFAIRS INVESTIGATIVE REPORT  
& **(NEW) Public Record Request for the jail video attached to Mr. Edwards’ death**

Debra **(others as FYI):**

As per your request / demand, on July 29, 2019, one of our (VolusiaExposed.Com) representatives made payment to your Titusville office in the amount of \$17.67 **(see attached receipt)**. This payment was in response to your invoice **(see attached invoice)** – regarding our public record request for a copy of the summary report attached to the BCSO’s INTERNAL AFFAIRS INVESTIGATION into the December 2018 in-custody death of Gregory Edwards.

We look forward to shortly receiving our REQUESTED, and now PAID FOR copy of the BCSO INTERNAL AFFAIRS INVESTIGATIVE REPORT.

We (VolusiaExposed.Com) have EXTREME interest in reviewing this BCSO INTERNAL AFFAIRS INVESTIGATIVE REPORT, especially given that Mr. Todd Brown of the State Attorney’s Office (SAO) has assured us that his office has release everything\* to this publication, that was forwarded by the BCSO in support of the SAO’s review of Mr. Edwards’ death. It is significant to us, that the BCSO INTERNAL AFFAIRS INVESTIGATIVE REPORT was not inclusive to the State Attorney’s public record release.

\* Mr. Brown did qualify (within an email) that the BCSO did provide a jail video of the events surrounding Mr. Edwards’ death – but further advised us that the BCSO was declaring a statutory exemption to that video being released to the public (F.S. 119.071 & F.S. 281.301). **(see attached PDF redaction notice provided by Mr. Brown)**

In as far as the Edwards’ jail video, VolusiaExposed.Com requests that the Brevard County Sheriff’s Office waived the statutory exemption, as is allowed under the statute **(see below)** – and honor our public record request for the video.

Please accept this as a public record request for a copy of the above mentioned jail video. Please advise us in advance of any costs that are associated with this record request.

## OUR ARGUMENT FOR THE RECORD EXEMPTION WAIVER

VolusiaExposed.Com holds the OPINION, that given, that three of four principle deputies attached to the USE OF FORCE incident opted not to provide sworn and recorded statements attached to the BCSO's criminal investigation into Mr. Edwards' death – that the video is of GREAT PUBLIC INTEREST.

This publication holds the OPINION, that absent the 1991 video of the Rodney King beating being made public, that the involved LAPD officers, would have never been held criminally liable for their actions.

<https://abcnews.go.com/Archives/video/march-1991-rodney-king-videotape-9758031>

The Rodney King incident, supported by the video, was the catalyst for the removal (retirement) of Los Angeles Police Chief Darrel Gates.

This publication holds the OPINION, that absent the recently released video of several Florida correctional officers beating a Central Florida prison inmate, that these correctional officers would not have been held criminally responsible for their actions, to include one officer being charged with filing a false report.

<https://www.news4jax.com/news/florida/florida-correctional-officers-arrested-after-inmates-beaten>

Since the BCSO and the SAO have concluded that the involved Brevard County deputies acted reasonably and appropriately in their application of force against the person of Gregory Edwards – then the release of the jail video should only go to support the BCSO's and SAO's investigative conclusions.

This publication has received and published many interior jail videos from several Central Florida jails.

Furthermore, the BCSO has published videos of the interior of their own jail (**see the below video linked example**). Within this nine (9) minute video example – the jail's fire safety and security equipment, to include apparent control room access, and even internal memos are clearly visible.

<https://www.facebook.com/BrevardCountySheriff/videos/1204764279606324/>

Debra, it is difficult for us (VolusiaExposed.Com) to understand how the release of the Edwards' Use of Force video would divulge any additional "secret squirrel" information regarding the jail's fire safety and security systems. That cherry of knowledge has already been popped within the jail's own published videos.

The BCSO attempting now to declare the below listed statutory exemption, is akin to the futility faced by any father of a sixteen year old daughter, as he attempts to defend his daughter's virginity – against video evidence that clearly supports that the entire high school football team has already had significant intimate contact with her.

From our perspective, the father needs to get his daughter on birth control, and the BCSO should produce the Edwards jail video, OR scramble to locate, and declare another statutory exemption to justify not releasing the video to the public.

We await your response to the video PRR, and await our earlier requested and NOW paid for records.

Regards,

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"Why Can't We All Just Get Along"? ~ Rodney King

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FLORIDA STATUTE

281.301 Security and fire safety systems; records and meetings exempt from public access or disclosure.—

(1) Information relating to the security or fire safety systems for any property owned by or leased to the state or any of its political subdivisions, and information relating to the security or fire safety systems for any privately owned or leased property which is in the possession of any agency as defined in s. 119.011(2), including all records, information, photographs, audio and visual presentations, schematic diagrams, surveys, recommendations, or consultations or portions thereof relating directly to or revealing such systems or information is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution, and any portion of a meeting relating directly to or that would reveal such systems or information is exempt from s. 286.011 and s. 24(b), Art. I of the State Constitution, and other laws and rules requiring public access or disclosure. This subsection is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2023, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

(2) Information made confidential and exempt by this section may be disclosed:

- (a) To the property owner or leaseholder;
- (b) In furtherance of the official duties and responsibilities of the agency holding the information;
- (c) To another local, state, or federal agency in furtherance of that agency's official duties and responsibilities; or
- (d) Upon a showing of good cause before a court of competent jurisdiction.