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SECOND AGENCY INVESTIGATING DEPUTY OVER MOLESTATION ALLEGATIONS

Written by Elgin Jones Friday, 13 January 2012



By ELGIN JONES EJones@SFLTimes.com

BOCA RATON - A second law enforcement agency has opened its own investigation into allegations that a Broward Sheriff's deputy had inappropriate sexual contact with his best friend's 8-year-old autistic daughter.

"There is a current ongoing investigation," confirmed Theresa "Teri" Barbera, public information officer for the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office. "We cannot release the report or any of its details until the investigation is complete."

Nevertheless, the investigation is related to molestation allegations made against Broward Sheriff's Deputy Carlos Periu, 40, who has been with the agency for the past 10 years. As first reported in the Dec. 9, 2010 edition of the South Florida Times, the Coral Springs Police Department, located in Broward County, opened its investigation of Periu this past December over similar allegations.

Periu's family had invited the girl's family over for a visit during the Thanksgiving holiday at Periu's home, also in Coral Springs, and that was when the alleged incident took place.

"We are in the final stages of the investigation and will likely be in contact with the SAO [State Attorney's Office] next week," said Sergeant Dave Kirkland, spokesperson for the Coral Springs Police Department.

Police are not releasing details and this newspaper is not publishing the names of the child and her parents. But detectives from the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO) were contacted to determine if any of the alleged incidents may have occurred at the child's home, in unincorporated Palm Beach County. PBSO has now opened an investigation of its own.

According to sources, the child has used graphic details to describe the acts which she says Periu committed. She is the daughter of another BSO deputy, who is described as Periu's best friend. Periu and the other deputy serve as godparents of each other's children. Their families have been close for years, oftentimes dining or spending other outings together.



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After the Thanksgiving visit at Periu's home, the child later told her mother in explicit terms about a "secret" involving "Uncle Carlos." Her parents contacted police and took the child to Broward County's Sexual Assault Treatment Center for a forensic examination that included questioning by investigators.

Coral Springs police informed BSO of their investigation and BSO placed Periu on administrative leave on Dec. 19. His patrol car was seized for forensic examination. The detectives with the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office were contacted to determine whether anything untoward may have occurred at the child's home located in that county.

In addition to his work as a sheriff's deputy, Periu is the owner of [CCC Entertainment](#), a company that provides music, photography, video, bounce houses and other entertainment services at parties, weddings and other functions. His company has worked at BSO events.

BSO hired Periu in 2001 and he works in the Pompano Beach district, earning \$69,908 annually.

*Pictured above is Broward Sheriff's deputy Carlos Periu

- Yes. She should have sought approval first.
- No. It is her right and a brilliant way to expose teenagers to literature.
- Not sure, but there are more important things this school should be concerned with.

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Post in Poor Taste

written by Nice Try , January 17, 2012

So, lets see, this deputy is ACCUSED of a child molestation act...and you think he did it because Lamberti got away with something? Oh, but wait...not just something....."hypothetical murder"...Murder??? Really??? Murder???? Because child molestation and sexual predators do what they do because they can get away with it. STUPID!!! You think Lamberti is dirty...fine....but you write murder???? You are a sensationalist who is only trying to take advantage of an article about someone being accused on wrong doing to turn it back on Lamberti. I guess when Jenne was here and a deputy was going around sexually assaulting illegal mexicans at the time, that was because Jenne was taking a bribe....oh wait....committing hypothetical rape?

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The BSO Petri dish

written by Arthur Conan Doyle, January 13, 2012

Has anyone taken a moment to think that if Lamberti and his upper echelon thugs can get away with anything that some of the underling employees think that they can too?

Lamberti is not responsible for Deputy Carlos Periu's actions, but what are you breeding there in that Petri dish you call BSO?

Every time one of your employees watches you (Lamberti) get away with hypothetical murder, don't you think you're giving license for others to try?

If this Periu is tried and found guilty he will serve his time as he should. Even though his crime is heinous to say the least, your crimes Lamberti, are crimes nonetheless.

Step down Lamberti. Step down.

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