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Former CCSO detention deputy charged with Possession and Furnishing Contraband

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NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C. – A former detention deputy with the Charleston County Sheriff's Office has been charged with one count of Possession and Furnishing of Contraband in a County Jail after an investigation into his conduct while employed at the Sheriff Al Cannon Detention Center.

On Tuesday, August 13, 2024, deputies responded to the Detention Center for contraband that was found on a resident. After further investigation, it was discovered Jaheim Thomas Brown, 21, was bringing contraband, specifically cigarettes and a lighter, into the facility while reporting for work. Thomas Brown was immediately put on administrative leave without pay. On Wednesday, August 21, 2024, Thomas Brown arrived at the Sheriff's Office for questioning by the agency's Office of Professional Standards. Upon arrival, he was terminated, and he was made aware of his charge and taken into custody.

"I have full faith in all of my employees to do the right thing," said Sheriff Kristin Graziano. "We put our trust in our deputies every day until they give us a reason not to. When something goes wrong or a complaint is made, we investigate and take action. In this case, we found evidence of wrongdoing and took the appropriate measures. Based on the investigation, we believe we caught this very early on and there is no reason to suspect there are any other violations. There is no room at the Charleston County Sheriff's Office for conduct like this. His actions are an outlier and should not be taken as the norm, because I believe my staff is the best in the state."

Thomas Brown was booked at the Sheriff Al Cannon Detention Center. Booking photos can be found online at <https://inmatesearch.charlestoncounty.org/>.

The CCSO Office of Professional Standards and the Criminal Investigations Division will continue their investigations.

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