

## CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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On September 20, 2012, a former Fort Lauderdale Police Officer, Jefferson Alvarez, was convicted on one count of perjury. Alvarez' charges stemmed from a traffic arrest he made on September 13, 2010.

On July 15, 2011, the Fort Lauderdale Police Department was notified by the State Attorney's Office they were in receipt of a complaint that Alvarez falsified a police report and committed perjury during his sworn deposition regarding the 2010 arrest. Alvarez was immediately relieved from duty and placed on administrative leave with pay.

On August 15, 2011, the State Attorney's Office granted the Fort Lauderdale Police Department approval to proceed with the administrative investigation into Alvarez's alleged misconduct.

On September 13, 2011, the State Attorney Office informed the Fort Lauderdale Police Department that criminal charges were being filed against Alvarez. Alvarez voluntarily turned himself in at the Broward County Main Jail. Subsequent to Alvarez being arrested, his status was changed to administrative leave without pay.

The administrative investigation established that Alvarez's conduct violated Department policy. On February 10, 2012 Alvarez's employment with the Fort Lauderdale Police Department was terminated.

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