

COLCHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: CHIEF JENNIFER MORRISON

FROM: LT DOUGLAS ALLEN

DATE: JANUARY 20, 2015

SUBJECT: EVIDENCE INVENTORY

I have reviewed the spreadsheet of missing/located items from the Colchester Police Department evidence storage as prepared by the FBI/VSP audit team. This information is very difficult to interpret at this time for the following reasons:

 The FBI/VSP inventory was created as part of an ongoing criminal investigation and therefore was focused and may not be fully complete. It is therefore necessary for CPD personnel to conduct a more comprehensive review of the items.

- Certain records appear to have been changed, deleted, or not entered during Kinney's tenure which may be skewing the current inventory.
- Records for destruction of evidence and other property are missing or altered.

With the above caveats understood, I completed a review of the critical evidence/property items reported missing or are questionable according to the referenced spreadsheet.

Money – As much as \$ 12,229.00 is missing or unaccounted for.

Firearms – Two weapons are missing from evidence. One firearm was recovered the night of Kinney's arrest while the second is unaccounted for. The status of 9 firearms is unknown due to either incomplete records or the age of the cases (more than 25 years).

Drugs – This is the category that has the most missing information and thus is the least reliable. On a worst case scenario, the following is reported as missing or altered;

- 12 cases (including missing canine training materials) involving heroin with as much as 1284 bags (doses)
- 73 cases involving marijuana or hashish; of those cases, 27 also involved missing drug paraphernalia
- 4 cases involving cocaine (powder or crystalline)
- Multiple references to missing or undocumented destruction of drug paraphernalia.
- Multiple references (approximately 15) of pill(s) or other evidentiary items that are unaccounted or have tampered evidence packaging, or other problems making it impossible to determine what evidence should have been present.