

## Rick Staly, Sheriff FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## Felon Arrested After Ordering Gang-Related Murder Over Jail Telephone

BUNNELL, Fla. — On November 15, the Flagler County Sheriff's Office arrested Jebea Johnson, 22, of Palm Coast, for ordering a gang-related murder from behind bars at the Sheriff Perry Hall Inmate Detention Facility. Johnson was already in custody under no bond from a previous arrest for Attempted Robbery and other violent crimes on June 21.

On October 15, detectives in FCSO's Homeland Security and Investigations Section were made aware of a series of phone calls from the jail between Johnson and family members in which Johnson detailed gang activity and instructed a family member to relay a message through social media to place a hit on a victim who had been trying to leave the gang. Detectives analyzed the calls and confirmed that Johnson had used multiple terms used by criminal street gangs and had ordered the victim to be killed.

Detectives then conducted various interviews. During these interviews, they learned that Johnson had tried to recruit the victim into the Kutt Throat Committee prison and criminal street gang while they were both inmates at the jail. People interviewed confirmed they had sent the message on Johnson's behalf but stated they were unaware of the coded gang language contained in the message.

Based on the investigation, Johnson was arrested for Solicitation to Commit First-Degree Murder – Gang Related and Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device.

Johnson had been in jail since June after he turned himself in on a warrant for Attempted Robbery with a Firearm, Possession of a Weapon by a Convicted Felon, Burglary, Aggravated Battery Causing Bodily

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Harm/Disability, and Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon without Intent to Kill after he was arrested for attacking a convenience store clerk. He was being held and will continue to be held, with no bond.

"This guy thought he could order a hit from the Green Roof Inn without us catching him," said Sheriff Rick Staly. "Not only did we know the lingo he was using, but we have the conversation recorded, so this dirtbag will be staying right where he is for a very long time and wins the award for dumbest criminal of the week."



Jebea Johnson (Flagler County Jail Mugshot)

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