

STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 13-311

WHEREAS, by Executive Order Number 13-140, Nicholas Finch was suspended from his office as Sheriff of Liberty County effective June 4, 2013, resulting from his arrest on one count of official misconduct, in violation of section 838.022(1); and

WHEREAS, on October 31, 2013, a jury acquitted Nicholas Finch on all charges arising from this arrest (see attached);

NOW THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to section Article IV, Section 7(a), Florida Constitution, issue this Executive Order:

Section 1. Executive Order Number 13-140 is revoked and the suspension of Nicholas Finch is terminated.

Section 2. Nicholas Finch is reinstated as Sheriff of Liberty County, effective immediately.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee this 31st day of October, 2013.


RICK SCOTT, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:


SECRETARY OF STATE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN
AND FOR LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

STATE OF FLORIDA

CASE NO. 13-055CFA
SPN

vs.

VERDICTS

NICHOLAS FINCH,

Defendant.

COUNT I

WE, the Jury, find the defendant, NICHOLAS FINCH, guilty as charged of Official
Misconduct.

SO SAY WE ALL this 31st day of October, 2013.

FOREPERSON

WE, the Jury, find the defendant, NICHOLAS FINCH, not guilty as to Count I .

SO SAY WE ALL this 31st day of October, 2013.

Jammy Stephens
FOREPERSON

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CASE NO. 13-055CFA
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Defendant.

COUNT II

WE, the Jury, find the defendant, NICHOLAS FINCH, guilty as charged of Falsifying a
Public Record.

SO SAY WE ALL this _____ day of October, 2013.

FOREPERSON

WE, the Jury, find the defendant, NICHOLAS FINCH, not guilty as to Count II .

SO SAY WE ALL this 31st day of October, 2013.

Jimmy Stephens
FOREPERSON

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