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Leopold Requests for Special Privileges Denied by Detention Center Authorities

No perks for former County Executive

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USPA NEWS - Despite being the former County Executive, and having appointed the Superintendent of the Anne Arundel County Detention Center, John Leopold isn't getting any special treatment while he serves 30 days of a 60 day sentence in jail after being convicted of two counts of criminal misconduct in office.

Terry Kokolis, superintendent of the county's detention center facilities, said in a statement released Monday, that Leopold "has burdened staff with multiple special requests and needs that have not and will not be provided."

Superintendent Kokolis said that rumors circulating about the convicted county executive getting special privileges and treatment are preposterous and simply untrue. Some of these rumors include Leopold having a recliner in his cell, the door to his cell being left unlocked and open, him being able to walk around at will.

Kokolis acknowledges that Leopold has made the following special requests:

- "¢ An electric razor
- "¢ Dental floss
- "¢ An electric toothbrush
- "¢ No cheese on his food
- "¢ Cheerios with skim milk at breakfast

These rumors and special requests reached the Office of County Executive Laura Neuman who asked her Chief of Staff, Dave Cordle to investigate this matter. Cordle met with Superintendent Kokolis who assured Cordle and County Executive Neuman that these rumors are far-fetched.

In response, County Executive Neuman issued a statement saying that Leopold "has been treated in the same custodial manner as his fellow inmates."

Kokolis added that Leopold is on a low sodium, heart-healthy diet that about 10 percent of inmates are on. He also has two mattresses, which is common practice for inmates with back problems.

These rumors raise questions and discredit our facility, Kokolis said, "and that disturbs me".

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