

St. Pete Attorney Arrested for Bringing Cell Phone into County Jail

“A St. Petersburg attorney has been arrested after bringing a cellphone into the Pinellas County Jail back in December.” reports *WFLA 8*.

“According to Pinellas County deputies, 54-year-old Douglas Barnard went to the Pinellas County Jail on Dec. 11 to meet an inmate who he told jail personnel was his client. Only lawyers and other professional visitors are allowed jail access to personally visit inmates. All other inmate visitation is done through video.”

“Per the Pinellas County Jail policy, Barnard was reminded that all cell phones and other electronic devices are prohibited to ensure inmates do not inappropriately get access to electronic devices. He assured staff that he did not have his cell phone and stated that he ‘left it in the car.’”

“Barnard was arrested on Wednesday for the introduction of contraband at the Demens Landing boat ramp at 12:40 p.m. and taken to the Pinellas County Jail without incident.”

Read WFLA 8's article.