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Chief Couch called Jennifer C. to give her heads up about an employee issue.

Ronnie Jackson Jr. was hired on 01/16/2024 and is current in the 2nd phase of training. He has been struggling and recently left some key equipment at home, including his gun. After being questioned about leaving these items at home, Ronnie indicated that he is very distracted due to his sister being in the hospital. He mentioned that he needed to take his grandmother to the hospital to be with her. The department decided to give him some time off so that he could sort through his personal needs and return focused for success.

On September 14, 2024, while Ronnie was off, Ronnie's supervisor went up to the hospital to take his sister a card from the department. When he arrived, he was told that the sister had been discharged on September 6, 2024. When Ronnie was questioned about this, he fumbled through a story and consistently communicated this to others.

The department suspects Ronnie is being untruthful and put him on Paid Admin leave. Chief Couch has a meeting scheduled with Ronnie at 1:30pm today (9/18/24) for a pre-determination meeting. If Ronnie doesn't resign during the meeting, Chief will loop back around with us to discuss termination.