

Georgia Ports Authority officer severely injured at Garden City Terminal

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Robert Lee Turner

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A spokesman for the Georgia Ports Authority says a police officer was severely injured Monday when coordinating routine traffic operations at the Garden City Terminal.

Cpl. William Solomon was taken to Memorial University Medical Center for treatment after the roughly 3:30 p.m. incident, said Robert Morris, ports authority spokesman. Solomon was in critical condition Tuesday.

A spokeswoman for the Chatham County Sheriff's Office said Robert Lee Turner, 63, was arrested in connection with the accident. Turner was charged with operating a vehicle without a tag or decal and DUI less safe, both misdemeanors.

The ports authority did not release details about how Solomon was injured. No one else was hurt.

The Georgia State Patrol is investigating the incident.

"We would like to send our thoughts and prayers to the family, friends and co-workers of Cpl. Solomon," Morris said in a news release.

Solomon has been employed at the Georgia Ports Authority for less than two years. There are 87 officers at the ports.

No further information was immediately available.