Bowie State University Police Department

General Order



Subject: Policy of Cooperation	Number: Article 17B
Effective Date: February, 1998	Rescinds:
Approved: Capt. B.S. Biscoe	

17B.1 WHEREAS, law enforcement, agencies in the State of Maryland are committed to the prevention of crimes, arrest and prosecution of offenders, including those offenders found within the ranks of law enforcement agencies.

AND WHEREAS, communication between law enforcement agencies is critical to the effective enforcement of State and federal law and of departmental policies,

IT IS HEREBY AGREED BY the undersigned Chief law enforcement officers of the enumerated law enforcement that the following inter-agency reporting procedure be followed, effective September, 1998:

- 17B.2 If a law enforcement officer from any of the below listed agencies responds to the scene of any domestic dispute or allegation of crime ("investigating officer") for which the aggressor or suspect is a law enforcement officer of any of the below listed agencies, regardless of whether an arrest is made or a report is written, the investigating officer shall report this activity to his/her supervisor, who shall in turn notify the designee of the aggressor's or suspect's agency. The investigation officer shall report this activity to the investigating officer's supervisor. The reporting supervisor shall report the information to the suspect's or aggressor's agency within four(4) hours of activity.
- 17B.3 If a law enforcement officer of any of the below listed agencies is requested to serve a Temporary Ex Parte Order or a Protective Order ("serving officer") on a responded who is a law enforcement officer of any of the below listed agencies, the serving officer shall report this activity to his/her supervisor, who shall in turn notify the designee of respondent's agency. The investigating officer shall report this activity to the investigation officer's supervisor. The reporting supervisor shall report the information to the respondent's agency within four(4) hours of the activity.

- 17B.4 If a law enforcement officer of any of the below listed agencies is called to enforce the terms of a Temporary Ex Parte Order or a Protective Order (investigating officer"), the investigating officer shall report this activity to his/her supervisor, who will in turn notify the designee of the respondent's agency. The investigating officer shall report this activity to the investigating officer's supervisor at or before the end of the shift during which the activity took place. The reporting supervisor shall report the information to the respondent's agency within four (4) hours of activity.
- 17B.5 In order to communicate this policy to each member of the agency, the cooperating agencies will address this policy in writing through General Orders, Standard Operating Procedures of Rule and Regulations
- 17B.6 There shall be no liability for any agency participating in the Policy of Cooperation if the agency violates any of the Policy's terms. This Policy of Cooperation is for the exclusive benefit of the parties hereto, and shall not be deemed to create or explain any right, or be for the benefit of any third party.
- 17B.7 This Policy of Cooperation shall remain in effect until and unless canceled by all parties to the Policy. If a single agency indicates by writing that it no longer wishes to be included in the agreement, that agency and only that agency shall have no further obligations to report police misconduct to the other agencies. The other agencies shall continue to report police misconduct to the agency who withdraws from the Policy of Cooperation.
 The Maryland Chiefs of Police Association, Legal Advisor's Committee shall keep all original signatures on file from each agency participating in the Policy of Cooperation.
- **17B.8** Following is the list of agencies participating with contact names and phone numbers.