



LIAISON WITH OTHER AGENCIES

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I. POLICY

It is the policy of the Anne Arundel County Police Department to enhance the continuing operational relationship between the department and other criminal justice system agencies. To facilitate that endeavor, the department recognizes the importance of maintaining a liaison with those agencies to develop and routinely evaluate our operational interaction.

II. PURPOSE

The purpose of maintaining a liaison with members of the Criminal Justice System include: planning and implementing operational and administrative objectives; providing a forum for examining and rectifying procedural and investigative errors; ensuring a process of ongoing communication and networking; a formal process to review and update Memoranda of Understanding (where applicable); and the sharing of information regarding improvements in technology and forensic science.

III. LIAISON RESPONSIBILITIES

A. Courts

The Court Liaison officer is responsible for maintaining liaison with the various criminal courts and the Office of the State's Attorney.

B. Prosecutor

1. The commander of the Internal Affairs Section will maintain liaison with the Anne Arundel County State's Attorney in investigations involving alleged criminal conduct on the part of department employees.
2. At least annually the Commander of the Criminal Investigation Division *and the supervisors of the Crime Laboratory and the Evidence Collection/Identification Section* will attempt to meet with the State's Attorney and the judges of the local courts to apprise them of the abilities of the investigators and crime lab in developing information for prosecution, and to hear their concerns.

C. Juvenile Liaison

The Juvenile Victim/Witness coordinator is responsible for maintaining liaison with the juvenile courts, prosecutors of juvenile cases, and the Department of Juvenile Services.

D. Correctional Agencies; Parole and Probation Agencies

The *Commander of the Special Services* Bureau is responsible for maintaining liaison with area correctional agencies, including the Anne Arundel County Detention Center, and with the Department of Parole and Probation.

E. Area Law Enforcement Agencies

Liaison with area law enforcement agencies is accomplished through participation in organizations such as the Maryland Chiefs of Police Association, the Maryland Association of Police Planners, and the Chesapeake Region Law Enforcement Accreditation Alliance.

The Northern District commander will maintain liaison with the Maryland State Police, Glen Burnie Barracks, and the federal and state law enforcement authorities located at BWI Airport.

The Southern District commander will maintain liaison with the Annapolis Police Department.

The Western District commander will maintain liaison with the Crofton Police Department, the *Fort Meade Police Department* at Fort George G. Meade, and with law enforcement authorities at the National Security Agency.

F. Fire/Rescue

Liaison with the Anne Arundel County Fire Department and E.M.S. is maintained by the joint training committee, and by formal and informal contacts between Fire administrators and the Police Department command staff.

In maintaining good rapport, the matters to be discussed with fire officials at periodic meetings will include: problems encountered by staff from their respective agencies; resolution of problems encountered in providing emergency medical services to citizens; and deployment of officers and firefighters at major fire scenes, accidents and hazardous materials incidents.

G. Intelligence

Liaison with federal, state and local agencies for the exchange of intelligence information is achieved through membership in MAGLOCLIN, as well as in various regional and statewide organizations.

H. Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

The Police Department is a member of the Anne Arundel County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. The Chief of Police will attend council meetings or will be represented by a designated officer.

I. Liaison with All Related Agencies

Members of the Department are required to develop and maintain good rapport with other criminal justice and public safety agencies in the furtherance of positive relations. All members will conduct themselves in a helpful and professional manner when interacting with other criminal justice and public safety agencies, including but not limited to the following.

- * Local adult and juvenile courts
- * State and federal prosecutors
- * Parole and probation agencies
- * Adult and juvenile correctional agencies
- * Department of Social Services
- * Department of Juvenile Services
- * Juvenile Justice Advisory Council
- * Maryland State Police
- * The Annapolis City Police Department
- * The Anne Arundel County Sheriff's Office
- * *The Fort Meade Police Department*
- * The Crofton Police Department
- * The County Police Departments, Sheriff Offices, city and local government police agencies of neighboring jurisdictions
- * Federal Bureau of Investigation
- * Drug Enforcement Administration
- * Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms
- * Naval Investigative Service
- * Immigration & Naturalization Service
- * U.S. Customs
- * Mid-Atlantic Great Lakes Organized Crime Law Enforcement Network

- * Combined Law Enforcement Intelligence Network
- * U.S. Attorney General's Office
- * Board of Education

IV. PROPONENT UNIT: Staff Inspections Section.

V. CANCELLATION: This written directive cancels Index Code 104, dated 07-01-07.