

GENERAL ORDER

NUMBER:

5.2



SUBJECT:

MISHANDLED OR DISMISSED CASES

ISSUE DATE:

JUN 11, 1993

RESCINDS:

DISTRIBUTION:

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EFFECTIVE DATE:

JUN 11, 1993

TERMINATION DATE:

INDEFINITE

AMENDED DATE:

JUL 13, 2015

REFERENCE:

PURPOSE

To ensure that incidents are properly investigated and that legal requirements are met for successful prosecution of offenses.

PROCEDURE

The Court Liaison will review all dismissed cases to determine, within the scope of his experience, if the cases were mishandled or poorly investigated.

I. **Empowerment to Decline Prosecution**

The State's Attorney and the Village Prosecutor are empowered to decline prosecution of cases that they believe have been poorly investigated or mishandled.

II. **Case Review**

If the State's Attorney or Village Prosecutor decline to prosecute a case owing to an officer's alleged mishandling of the case, the Court Liaison will initiate a review of the case with the Village Prosecutor or State's Attorney.

A. The Court Liaison will document his findings and submit a written report to the Deputy Chief of the Administrative Services Division.

B. The Deputy Chief of the Administrative Services Division will forward the report to the officer's direct supervisor through the chain of command.

C. The officer's supervisor will review the report and provide counseling or training as required.