

DUNCANVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT CODE OF CONDUCT

SUBJECT: Public Activities	Chapter VII
EFFECTIVE DATE: November 15, 2013	APPROVED:
AMENDS/SUPERSEDES: General Order 120 ISSUED: January 1, 1980	Robert D. Brown, Jr. Chief of Police

I. OBJECTIVES

To establish the expected behavior surrounding political activity.

II. RULES

- A. Employees of the Police Department who wish to engage in partisan political activity will observe the following restrictions.
1. While in uniform or on duty, an employee may not engage in a political activity relating to a campaign for an elective office;
 2. An employee engages in a political activity if he:
 - a. Makes a public political speech supporting or opposing a candidate;
 - b. Distributes a card or other political literature relating to a campaign of a candidate;
 - c. Wears a campaign button;
 - d. Circulates or signs a petition for a candidate;
 - e. Solicits votes for a candidate;
 - f. Solicits campaign contributions for a candidate; or
 - g. Voluntarily appears, either on duty or in uniform, in any type of news-related or advertising photographs with or for a candidate for public office;
 3. While out of uniform and off-duty, an employee may engage in the political activities as listed in Section B with the following exceptions:
 - a. An employee may not solicit campaign contributions for a candidate other than from members of an employee organization to which he belongs.
- B. No employee shall seek the influence or intervention of any person outside the Department for purposes of personal preferment, advantage, transfer, or advancement. Should any employee learn of any intervention in his behalf, he shall notify his supervisor.
- C. No employee shall become a member of any organization, association, movement or group which advocates or approves the commission of acts of force or violence to deny others their rights under the Constitution of the United States or which seeks to alter the form of government of the United States by unconstitutional means.