

OFFICE OF CONSTITUTIONAL POLICING AND POLICY

NOTICE

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December 7, 2023

TO: All Department Personnel

FROM: Chief of Police

SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY BILL 709 – CRIMINAL HISTORY INFORMATION

On October 8, 2023, Governor Gavin Newsom signed California Assembly Bill (AB) 709. Effective January 1, 2024, AB 709 added subdivision (o) to Penal Code Section 13300. The new subdivision in part states, “A public prosecutor may provide a public defender’s office, an alternate public defender’s office, or a licensed attorney of record in a criminal case with a list containing only the names of the peace officer and defendant and the corresponding case number to facilitate and expedite notifying counsel representing criminal defendants whose cases may involve testimony by that peace officer of exculpatory or impeachment evidence involving that peace officer.”

The purpose of this Notice is to notify Department personnel of this new law and to inform personnel that the new legislation does not require any change in policy.

Note: The Department has published previous Notices to inform employees about the release of personal records:

- Office of Constitutional Policing and Policy Notice, *Los Angeles District Attorney’s Office Brady Database and Officer and Recurrent Witness Information Tracking System-Revised*, dated May 4, 2022; and,
- Risk Management and Legal Affairs Division Notice, *Senate Bills 1421 and 16 – Peace Officers, Release of Records*, dated December 14, 2022.

Any questions concerning this Notice can be directed to Risk Management and Legal Affairs Division, at (213) 978-4640.



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