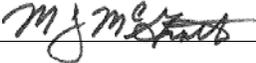


	LOWER MERION TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT Ardmore, Pennsylvania	
	Policy 1.1.2	
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Ethics		All Sworn Personnel
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		Superintendent of Police

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish a Code of Ethics to be followed by all police department personnel.

POLICY

- A.** The following Code of Ethics is set forth and applicable to all members of the department who have taken the Oath of Office and who are currently serving in the capacity of a sworn police officer employed by the Lower Merion Township Police Department:

My first duty as an officer of the Township of Lower Merion Police Department is to serve the people of Lower Merion Township.

“As a law enforcement officer my duty is to serve mankind; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception; the weak against oppression or intimidation; the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the constitutional rights of all people to liberty, equality, and justice.

I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all; maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed, in both my personal and official lives. I will be exemplary in obeying the laws of the land and the regulations of the department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of duty.

I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, animosities, or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals; I will enforce the law courteously and

appropriately without fear or favor, malice, or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence, and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of police service. I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession, law enforcement.”

- B.** All members of the Department will receive ethics training upon initial appointment and biennially thereafter.