



Helen Police Department

Standard Operating Policies and Procedures

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I. PURPOSE

It is the purpose of this section of the Helen SOP to establish a uniform Oath of Office for the sworn personnel of the Helen Police Department.

II. PROCEDURE

The Oath of Office shall be administered to all peace officers prior to assuming sworn status as required by O.C.G.A. 45-3-1. All peace officers assuming sworn status shall take and abide by the Oath of Office to enforce the laws of Georgia, uphold the Constitution of the United States, and the ordinances of the City of Helen.

The Oath of Office shall be in print form with spaces provided for the signatures of the sworn officer, the administrator of the oath and the date the oath is administered.

Original copies of the completed Oaths of Office shall be maintained in the personnel file of each officer taking the oath. This personnel file will be maintained in the police department.

Helen Police Department Oath of Office

I, _____, do hereby solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States of America.

I will support and defend the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Helen;

I am not the holder of any office of trust under the government of the United States, any other state, or any foreign state which I am, by the laws of the State of Georgia, prohibited from holding;

I am otherwise qualified to hold the office of a peace officer according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Georgia;

I am not the holder of any unaccountable public money due this state or any other political subdivision or authority thereof;

And, that I will perform my duties to the best of my ability, faithfully and justly perform the duties of Police Officer in an honorable, benevolent, civil and egalitarian manner during my commission therein, so help me.

I, _____, do solemnly swear or affirm that I will support the Constitution and statues of the United States, the Constitution and statutes of the State of Georgia, and the charter and ordinances of the City of Helen; and that I will, to the best of my ability, faithfully perform the duties of the office of Peace Officer during my continuance therein, so help me God.

Signature

Date

Signature of Chief of Police

Date