



Southmayd Police Department

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CITIZEN COMPLAINT FORM

My name is: _____

My Address is: _____

(street) (city) (State) (zip code)

My Phone number is: _____

(home/cell) (work)

My date of birth is: _____

My place of employment is: _____

Texas Government Code:

Sec. 614.022. COMPLAINT TO BE IN WRITING AND SIGNED BY COMPLAINANT. To be considered by the head of a state agency or by the head of a fire department or local law enforcement agency, the complaint must be:

- (1) in writing; and
- (2) signed by the person making the complaint.

Sec. 614.023. COPY OF COMPLAINT TO BE GIVEN TO OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE. (a) A copy of a signed complaint against a law enforcement officer of this state or a fire fighter, detention officer, county jailer, or peace officer appointed or employed by a political subdivision of this state shall be given to the officer or employee within a reasonable time after the complaint is filed.

(b) Disciplinary action may not be taken against the officer or employee unless a copy of the signed complaint is given to the officer or employee.

(c) In addition to the requirement of Subsection (b), the officer or employee may not be indefinitely suspended or terminated from employment based on the subject matter of the complaint unless:

- (1) the complaint is investigated; and
- (2) there is evidence to prove the allegation of misconduct.

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Texas Penal Code

Sec. 37.08. FALSE REPORT TO PEACE OFFICER, FEDERAL SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR, LAW ENFORCEMENT EMPLOYEE, CORRECTIONS OFFICER, OR JAILER. (a) A person commits an offense if, with intent to deceive, he knowingly makes a false statement that is material to a criminal investigation and makes the statement to:

- (1) a peace officer or federal special investigator conducting the investigation;
- (2) any employee of a law enforcement agency that is authorized by the agency to conduct the investigation and that the actor knows is conducting the investigation; or
- (3) a corrections officer or jailer.

(b) In this section, "law enforcement agency" has the meaning assigned by Article [59.01](#), Code of Criminal Procedure.

(c) An offense under this section is a Class B misdemeanor.

DETAILED ACCOUNT OF INCIDENT:

COMPLAINANT INITIALS

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I _____ make this affidavit voluntarily and from my own personal knowledge of an incident or event involving an officer with the Southmayd Police Department. I acknowledge my understanding that any complaint made against a law enforcement officer of the State of Texas must be in writing, and signed by the complainant, before it may be considered. I also acknowledge my understanding that the officer must be provided with a copy of any complaint prior to any potential action being taken against an officer. Furthermore, I hereby acknowledge that I may be subject to civil and / or criminal penalties for intentionally or knowingly filing a false or fictitious complaint against a Peace Officer of the State of Texas.

I have read this document consisting of _____ pages and hereby affirm that the statements contained herein are true and correct.

COMPLAINANT SIGNATURE

DATE COMPLAINT SUBMITTED

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Notary Public in and for the State of _____

My commission expires _____/_____/_____

Printed Name of Notary

Notary Signature

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