

COLUMBIA COUNTY

CITIZEN'S REVIEW PANEL FOR POLICE REFORM

Procedure for Filing a Complaint Against the Sheriff's Office

Please fill out the attached complaint form in as much detail as possible. You may type your responses or print them clearly in ink. Submit the original completed form in a **sealed** envelope marked **confidential** and addressed to:

Columbia County Clerk of the Board c/o Citizen's Review Panel 401 State Street Hudson, NY 12534

Your complaint will be reviewed by the Citizen's Review Panel within twenty-one (21) calendar days of receipt. Please be assured that your complaint will be kept confidential and it will not be copied or shared in any way. Anonymous complaints **will not** be accepted.

Once your complaint has been reviewed and docketed by the Panel, it will be forwarded to the Sheriff's Office for handling, if related to actions of the Sheriff's Office. You can expect to receive a letter of acknowledgement from the Panel within the next few weeks, advising you if your complaint has been forwarded to the Sheriff's Office.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Gary Graziano at (518) 821-9589 or CitizenReview@ColumbiaCountyNY.com.

Please read and sign the complainant affirmation below and return with your complaint form.

COMPLAINANT AFFIRMATION

I, hereby affirm that the information provided on this form is true and
complete under penalty of perjury. I acknowledge that any false statements made herein are
punishable by a Class A Misdemeanor, as set forth in §210.45 of the Penal Law.
I understand that my complaint will be read by the Citizen's Review Panel and, if appropriate, will be
delivered to the Sheriff's Office. I understand that my information will be kept confidential and my
complaint will not be copied or shared with anyone outside of the Review Panel, Sheriff's Office or
Legal Counsel for the County of Columbia as may be applicable.

Signature	Date

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Complaint Form For Complaints Against the Sheriff's Office

COMPLAINANT INFORMATION	
Name Address City State Phone () COMPLAINT DETAILS	Zip
Date of Incident / / Location of Incident Type of Complaint Asserted: Sexual Harassment Excessive Force Racism	Time : am / pm (Circle one) Subject of Your Complaint (If applicable) Discrimination Lack of Professionalism Other:
SUMMARY OF COMPLAINT	