



The South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy

July 29, 2022

Representative Chris Wooten
South Carolina House of Representatives
Post Office Box 11867
Columbia, SC 29211

Dear Representative Wooten:

In a letter dated July 11, 2022, the House Legislative Oversight Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Subcommittee asked the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy to provide feedback regarding law enforcement positions and entities in South Carolina.

The South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy has provided that feedback in the attached document for your information.

Please contact James Fennell with any questions regarding this information at JFennell@sccja.sc.gov.

Sincerely,

Lewis J. Swindler, Jr.
Director

cc: The Honorable Wm. Weston J. Newton
Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Subcommittee



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Questions to Criminal Justice Academy

1. Please list all positions at a law enforcement entity that are (e.g., 911 operator, Law Enforcement Officer, Victim Service Provider) and are not certified.

- This depends on the agency size. It could consist of:

Certified (Law enforcement) (not an exhaustive list):

Agency Head
Command Staff
Supervisors
Officers

Potential Units (not an exhaustive list)

Patrol
Traffic
Investigations
SRO
Special Response
Dive Team
Bomb Squad
Detention

Uncertified (Non-Law Enforcement) (not an exhaustive list):

Crime scene (can be either certified or not)
Victim Services (can be either certified or not)
911 are certified but not considered law enforcement
Public Information Officer (can be either certified or not)
Community Relations (can either be certified or not)

2. What requirements (e.g., minimum number/type of positions), if any, are required to have a law enforcement entity (e.g., city police department, sheriff's office, etc.)?

a. If none exist, are there any recommended by the agency or by national associations?

- CJA is drafting a survey to be sent to agencies across the nation. Once the CJA receives the responses, CJA will submit that information to the Committee.