

PARADISE VALLEY POLICE GENERAL ORDER

Release of Police Reports and other Records

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- A. Requests from all persons for copies of police *reports* and other *departmental* records *shall* be directed to the Records section. Copies of records *will* be released pursuant to this policy and *will* be routinely made available, as required by State law:
 - 1. pursuant to requests under the Public Records Act,
 - 2. to insurance companies and financial institutions for purposes of property damage/loss,
 - 3. in cases such as burglaries, larcenies, arson and criminal damage,
 - 4. to accident and crime *victims* and their attorneys,
 - 5. to defendants in criminal cases and their attorneys,
 - 6. to prosecutors,
 - 7. to *officers* who have authored the *report*, who are involved in follow-up investigations or demonstrate other legitimate need for the *report*,
 - 8. in response to court orders and properly issued subpoenas.
- B. *Employees must* guard against the inadvertent release of police *reports* and other documents containing sensitive, confidential or private information. When no longer needed by an *employee*, copies of these documents (not including the original) *shall* be discarded by shredding or other appropriate method.

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