

<b>DATE:</b>	FEBRUARY 11, 2016
<b>NUMBER:</b>	Q.70
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	RELEASE OF INMATES ACQUITTED AT COURT
<b>RELATED SECTIONS:</b>	CSB P&P F.23

**PURPOSE**

To establish criteria and procedures for releasing inmates acquitted at court of all charges.

**POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sheriff's Department that inmates acquitted of all charges at court will be processed expeditiously for release from custody after a check has been completed for any holds and pending legal proceedings. Acquitted inmates will be transferred back to the detention facility they are housed for release.

**PROCEDURES**

- I. Upon notification by a Court Services Bureau (CSB) supervisor that an inmate has been acquitted at court, the processing sergeant will alert deputies to hold the inmate in the detention facility receiving area and separate him/her from other inmates.
- II. The detention processing supervisor (DPS) will have inmate processing staff review the inmate's custody record for additional bookings, holds, and warrants.
- III. Once records checks reveal that no additional legal proceedings or holds are pending that would require the inmate to remain in custody, the inmate will be processed expeditiously for release.
- IV. Deputies will retrieve module property from the inmate's housing area. The inmate shall not be allowed to return to housing.
- V. Should the computer or custody record search reveal an acquitted defendant has unresolved bookings, detainers or holds, the defendant will be returned to housing.