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SUBJECT: CODE OF ETHICS

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EFFECTIVE DATE: 4/13/2005 REVISED DATE:

- I. **PURPOSE:**
To establish a code of ethics to be followed by the Sheriff's Office personnel.
- II. **SCOPE:**
This policy will apply to all sworn deputies for the County of Laurens.
- III. **POLICY:**
Sworn personnel are required to abide by the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics as published by the International Association of Chiefs of Police.
- IV. **CODE OF ETHICS:** SEE PAGE 2

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LAW ENFORCEMENT CODE OF ETHICS

NAME- PRINTED OR TYPED

As a Law Enforcement Officer, my fundamental duty is to serve mankind; to protect lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation, and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the constitutional rights of all people to liberty, equality, and justice.

I WILL keep my private life unsullied as an example to all, maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official life. I will be exemplary in obeying the laws of the land and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will remain confidential.

I WILL never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, animosities or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless to prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

I Recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of the Law Enforcement Service. I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession, Law Enforcement.

OFFICER SIGNATURE

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WITNESS

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W. A. HARRELL
SHERIFF

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