



# REPEAT OFFENDER SECTION

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### ***Appendix A: MCP 615, "Repeat Offender Section Target Referral"***

#### **I. Policy**

The Repeat Offender Section (ROS) will seek to reduce the incidence of specific criminal offenses occurring within our jurisdiction by identifying and targeting the career criminal for prosecution and incarceration.

#### **II. Organization and Administration**

- A. The ROS is part of the Special Investigations Division (SID).
- B. R.O.S. Investigators are exempt from SID's rotation policy.
- C. ROS personnel will be subject to unannounced periodic urinalysis at the discretion of the Director, SID.

#### **III. Responsibilities**

ROS investigators are responsible for identifying, locating, and apprehending individuals designated as career criminals ***or any criminal that poses a significant threat to person(s) or property in Montgomery County or throughout the Washington D.C. Metropolitan Area and has a connection to Montgomery County.***

#### **IV. Career Criminals**

Adults and juveniles (16 and 17 years of age) with two or more arrests for crimes of violence,

drugs, sexual offenses, weapons, breaking and entering, and theft over \$300 (shoplifting) are designated as career criminals. (CALEA 42.1.5.a)

#### **V. Career Criminal Targets**

Career criminal targets will be developed employing the following strategies:

##### **A. Investigative Targets**

Investigative targets are individuals who are not currently wanted, but for which a strong possibility exists that they are involved in criminal activity. These targets are developed primarily through intelligence information obtained through criminal history, referrals from officers in this and other departments, lists of high volume property sellers, tips from Crime Solvers, and informant information.

##### **B. Warrant Targets**

Warrant targets are individuals who are currently wanted for offenses meeting ROS criteria. The ROS will review active warrants on file and develop possible targets. Uniform officers and investigators obtaining warrants may contact the ROS supervisor for assistance in locating and apprehending suspects. Officers should consider this option particularly if the arrest is considered a high-risk situation or the suspect is in a different district or local area jurisdiction.

##### **C. Case Enhancement Targets**

Investigators will conduct criminal history checks on persons held for bond review or arrested and released on recognizance in order to quickly identify the repeat offender. This information will be provided to the State's Attorney's Office to enhance the prosecution and seek maximum sentencing. (CALEA 42.1.5.c)

#### **VI. Referrals to ROS**

***Referrals may be made by completing the MCP 615, "Repeat Offender Section Target***

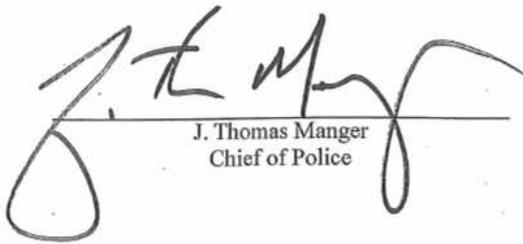
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*Referral" (refer to Appendix A), and forwarding it via e-mail or faxing it to the ROS. Officers and investigators may refer any subject thought to be engaged in unlawful activity to ROS. A ROS detective will perform a complete background check on the subject. If the subject meets ROS criteria, ROS will investigate the target. The referring officer/investigator and the ROS detective assigned the case will communicate and coordinate the investigation. (CALEA 42.2.3.a.b.c.)*

VII. Proponent Unit: Repeat Offender Section

VIII. Cancellation

*This directive cancels Function Code 615, effective date 03-08-99.*



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