

Public Prosecutions New Brunswick	Complaints against Law Enforcement Officers	DPP Guideline 35 March 10, 2003
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Conduct Complaints

Individuals with conduct complaints against municipal and regional police officers should be advised to send the complaint in writing to the Chairman of the New Brunswick Police Commission, 435 King Street, Suite 202, Fredericton, N.B., E3B 2T7.

Individuals with conduct complaints against members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police should be advised to send the complaint in writing to the Chair of The Commission for Public Complaints against the RCMP., PO Box 3423, Station D, Ottawa, Ontario K1P 6L4

Individuals with conduct complaints against members of other provincial or federal enforcement agencies should be advised to send the complaint in writing to the minister of the department responsible for the agency.

Allegations of Criminal or Quasi-Criminal Conduct

Where the complainant alleges possible criminal or quasi-criminal conduct by a law enforcement officer, (ie. a case that might end up being prosecuted) the complainant should be directed to submit the complaint in writing to the appropriate Chief of Police or RCMP authority.

The Director of Public Prosecutions shall be notified immediately when a Crown Prosecutor receives an investigation report which reveals potential criminal or quasi-criminal activity by a law enforcement officer. A copy of the report shall be forwarded forthwith to the Director.

Where a matter which includes alleged criminality or quasi-criminal against a police officer is referred to a municipal or regional Chief of Police for investigation, the Chief of Police will be advised to contact the Director of Policing Services of the Department of Public Safety in the event the Chief requires the assistance of another police agency in carrying out that investigation.

Assignment of Prosecutor

Crown Prosecutors will not be assigned to prosecute a case against a law enforcement officer who works in the Crown Prosecutor's area. Likewise, Crown Prosecutors will not be assigned to handle a coroner's inquest which may possibly result in a criminal charge being laid against a law enforcement officer who works in the Crown Prosecutor's area.