

CLASS TITLE: Police Officer (Assigned as Evidence Technician)

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CLASS: Under general supervision, searches, collects, marks, photographs and preserves evidence and latent fingerprints at property crime scenes and performs police patrol duties; and performs related duties as required.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES: Processes property crime scenes by searching, collecting, marking, photographing and preserving evidence and latent fingerprints; uses cameras, fingerprint powders, brushes and small hand tools to process the crime scenes; fingerprints and photographs hospitalized arrests; photographs police officers and persons involved in incidents of resisting arrest; conducts breathalyzer tests; performs routine police patrol, law enforcement, crime prevention, suspect apprehension and related protective service duties.

DESIRABLE MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Training and Experience. Career Service status as a Police Officer with the Chicago Police Department supplemented by two years of experience in law enforcement work and successful completion of specialized police training.

Knowledge, Abilities and Skill. Considerable knowledge of rules applicable to evidence admissibility in court. Good knowledge of modern crime laboratory capabilities, methods and techniques used to analyze evidence. Good knowledge of equipment used to process crime scenes. Good knowledge of the procedures for making arrests.

Ability to exercise sound judgement in evaluating situations/evidence and making effective decisions. Ability to prepare and maintain accurate, clear, and concise records, documents and reports. Ability to provide effective testimony in open court.

Working skill in the application of modern police crime laboratory techniques. Working skill in the use of pertinent tools, instruments and equipment used to process crime scenes.

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