

SHENANDOAH POLICE DEPARTMENT
Internal Affairs Division

PERSONNEL COMPLAINT WARNING

Requirements for making formal complaints:

Personnel complaints will be handled in accordance with Vernon's Annotated Civil Statutes, Article 6252-20 and Shenandoah Police Department Policies and Procedures.

Article 6252-20 Complaints Against Law Enforcement Officers; Writing; Signature

In order that a complaint against a law enforcement officer of the State of Texas, including but not limited to officers of the Department of Public Safety and the Liquor Control Board, or against a fireman or policeman may be considered by the head of a state agency or by a chief or head of a fire department or police department, neither of which is under the protection of a civil service statute, the complaint must be placed in writing and must be presented to the affected officer or employee within a reasonable amount of time after the complaint is filed and before any disciplinary action may be taken against the affected employee.

Sec. 37.02 Perjury

- (a) A person commits an offense if, with intent to deceive and with knowledge of the statement's meaning:
 - (1) he makes a false statement under oath or swears to the truth of a false statement previously made; and
 - (2) the statement is required or authorized by law to be made under oath.
- (b) An offense under this section is a Class "A" misdemeanor.

Chapter 37, Texas Penal Code

Sec. 37.03 Aggravated Perjury

- (a) A person commits an offense if he commits Perjury as defined in Section 37.02 of this code, and the false statement:
 - (1) is made during or in connection with an official proceeding; and
 - (2) is material
- (b) An offense under this section is a Felony of the third degree

Chapter 37, Texas Penal Code

Sec. 37.10 Tampering with Government Record

- (a) A person commits an offense if he:
 - (1) knowingly makes a false entry in, or false alteration of, a governmental record.
- (b) An offense under this section is a Class “A” misdemeanor unless the actor’s intent is to defraud or harm another, in which event the offense is a Felony of the third degree.

Chapter 37, Texas Penal Code

AFFIDAVIT

My name is _____ . My residential address is _____ . My home telephone number is () _____ and my work telephone number is () _____ . I have read Article 6252-20 of the revised Civil Statutes of Texas and Sections 37.02, 37.03, and 37.10 of Chapter 37, Texas Penal Code. I understand the requirements for the filing of a formal complaint and the penalties for the filing of false complaints. I am hereby voluntarily initiating this complaint against _____ , an officer or employee of the Shenandoah Police Department.

Affiant

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME by the said affiant this the _____ day of _____ , 20 ____.

Notary Signature

Typed or printed name of Notary Public for the
State of T E X A S
My commission expires _____