



SPECIAL ORDER



502.1

SERIES	NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE
83	82	November 29, 1983

SUBJECT:  Service of D.C. Superior Court Warrants by Other Jurisdictions	DISTRIBUTION A
	ORIGINATING UNIT OGC
	EXPIRATION DATE *

The purpose of this Special Order is to outline procedures for the handling and processing of individuals wanted on warrants issued by the Superior Court of the District of Columbia who are encountered in the District of Columbia after having been arrested in another jurisdiction on the D.C. warrant.

A problem has arisen concerning situations wherein an individual arrested in another jurisdiction on a D.C. warrant returns on his own recognizance to the District of Columbia and is for whatever legitimate reason stopped by a member of the Department prior to the scheduled date of appearance. A WALES check will reveal that the warrant has been "served out of state." Under these circumstances, since the individual already has been arrested on the warrant and presented before a proper judicial authority (of another jurisdiction), who directed the person to return to D.C., the officer should not re-arrest the person on the basis of the uncleared warrant. Rather, the member should prepare an Event Report (P.D. 251) detailing the circumstances of the contact, including the warrant information, and forward a copy to Court Liaison, which will expedite the transmittal of the P.D. 251 to the Witness Assistance Unit, Office of the United States Attorney, for appropriate action.

Where the individual is stopped and the WALES check reveals that the court date has passed, the officer shall arrest the person unless reasonable proof is provided that the person has been to court and is on some form of conditional release.

Any questions concerning this special order shall be directed to the Office of the General Counsel (727-4129) or the Fugitive Unit (727-4279).

The contents of this Special Order shall remain in effect until incorporated in General Order 502.1 (Processing Prisoners).

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