



**Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police
Georgia Law Enforcement Certification Program
On-Site Assessment – Final Report**



To: D. Mike Edwards
Director of State Certification

From: Chief Frank Hooper
Assessment Team Leader

Date: May 4, 2007

Type: Accelerated
Re-Certification
3rd Edition Standards

Agency: Athens-Clarke County Police Department

Agency CEO: Chief Joseph H. Lumpkin, Sr.

**Certification
Manager:** Major Carter Greene

**Dates of
Assessment:** May 3, 2007

**Assessment
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Agency Profile:

Athens-Clarke County, Georgia, was chartered as the town of Athens in 1806. The village was a small community adjacent to the University of Georgia, which was founded in 1785. Athens served as the county seat of Clarke County. The governments of Athens and Clarke County were unified on January 14, 1991. Athens-Clarke County is comprised of approximately 125 square miles and is the smallest county in land area of Georgia's 159 counties. The 2005 estimated population was 108,222.

The Athens-Clarke County Police Department has an approximate authorized strength of 235 sworn police officers, 63 civilian positions, and 29 part-time employees. The agency was the 48th police department to be accredited nationally and was most recently reaccredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) in 2006. This was the 5th CALEA reaccreditation by the Athens-Clarke County Police Department. The Athens-Clarke County Police Department was initially certified in 1997 and was one of the original Georgia agencies to achieve this distinction. This was their 2nd recertification (3rd overall).

The agency is headed by Chief Joseph (Jack) H. Lumpkin, Sr. who has served as Chief since January 13, 1997. He is a 36 year police veteran who has served a total of approximately 32 years with Athens-Clark County Police Department. A copy of the departmental organizational chart is attached for your information.

Assessment Summary:

The assessment of the Athens-Clarke County Police Department was conducted on May 3, 2007. The assessment began at approximately 10:30AM. Athens-Clarke County Police Department was most recently reaccredited by CALEA in 2006. A review of the on-site report revealed no conflicts or compliance issues with CALEA standards. The agency provided this assessor with a copy of their CALEA on-site report, which was dated June 5, 2006 and was completed by Team Leader John A. Urby, Chief of Police of the Midland, Texas Police Department. Athens-Clarke County Police Department was eligible for an accelerated State Certification on-site of the fifteen 3rd edition standards, which have been identified as specific to Georgia.

This assessor was met by Major Carter Greene Uniform Division Commander, Deputy Chief Alan Brown, and Sergeant Mark Magnuson. Major Greene provided use of his office as the work area for file review. Adequate supplies were made available to facilitate file review. Access to a computer with the electronic version of the Athens-Clarke County Police Department policy and procedures manual was provided as resource material.

The files were neat and orderly and only 2 files were returned for additional documentation. Standard 1.7 required that a copy of OCGA 17-4-20 be added to support the departmental written directive. Standard 1.11 required that an existing departmental directive and training documentation be added to the file to show compliance with annual ethics training for all personnel.

The agency provided a tour of their state of the art mobile command vehicle which was purchased with Homeland Security funds. A tour was also provided of the Athens-Clarke County Family Protection Center, which is located adjacent to the police department. The tour was conducted by Lieutenant Greg Paul, Sergeant Janice Richardson of Athens-Clarke County Police Department. Also assisting with the tour were Linda Pinhoister, SANE Nurse, and Donna Thomsen, of Athens-Clarke County Project Safe. The Family Protection Center provides sexual assault exams, counseling services, victim services, child advocacy services, as well as housing office space for Athens-Clarke County Police Department investigators assigned to these type cases. The Family Protection Center exhibits a great community partnership with the Athens-Clarke County Police Department.

File review was completed at approximately 3:00PM.

(A.) Findings:

	<u>Reviewed</u>
Standards found to be in compliance	15
Standards found to be in non-compliance	0
Standards that were granted waiver	0
TOTAL NUMBER OF STANDARDS	<hr/> 15

(B.) Waiver(s):

Not applicable.

(C.) Files Sent Out for Repair:

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(D.) Standards Found to be in Non-Compliance:

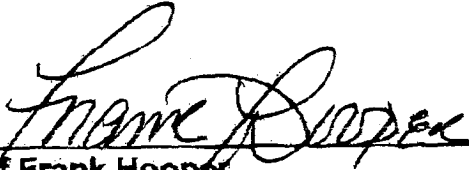
None.

Exit Interview:

An Exit Interview was conducted at approximately 3:00PM with Chief Joseph H. Lumpkin, Sr., Deputy Chief Alan Brown, Major Carter Greene, and Sergeant Mark Magnuson. Chief Lumpkin was advised that there were no non-compliance issues and that the Athens-Clarke County Police Department would be recommended for recertification. Chief Lumpkin and the entire ATHENS-CLARKE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT assessment team were thanked for their hospitality during the on-site.

Recommendation:

This assessor recommends the re-certification of the Athens-Clarke County Police Department.



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(Please attach assessor worksheets)