

Louisville Metro Police Department

<h2>Standard Operating Procedures</h2>	SOP Number: 3.7
	Effective Date: 03/17/05
	Prv. Rev. Date: 11/18/21
	Revised Date: 09/07/23
Chapter: Communications	Accreditation Standards:
Subject: Legal Requests	

3.7 LEGAL REQUESTS

3.7.1 WRITTEN OPINION

Any member of the Louisville Metro Police Department (LMPD) who is requesting a written legal research opinion from the Legal Advisor must submit the request to the Legal Advisor's Office, through the appropriate chain of command, via email.

Members will not ask for written opinions pertaining to department-related matters from legal sources outside of the department without approval from the Chief of Police.

3.7.2 ORAL OPINION

Members may contact the Legal Advisor's Office directly when seeking an oral legal opinion regarding department-related matters.

Nothing in this policy prevents an employee from discussing their case with the appropriate prosecuting attorney.

3.7.3 ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

If a member seeks to obtain the legal opinion of the Attorney General regarding department-related matters, they must first submit a written request to do so, through the appropriate chain of command, to the Chief of Police. The officer may proceed with their inquiry only after receiving written permission from the Chief of Police, or their designee.