



GARRITY CONSTITUTIONAL PROTECTION STATEMENT

If ordered to submit a statement always contact your C.O.P.S. lawyer to assist and advise you. C.O.P.S. recommends that you state or write the following Garrity Statement at the beginning of your statement.....

On (Date & Time) at (Place) I was ordered to submit this statement by (Name & Rank). I give this statement as a condition of employment. I have no alternative but to abide by this order or face job forfeiture or discipline.

It is my belief and understanding that the department requires this statement solely and exclusively for internal purposes and will not release it to any other agency. It is my further belief that this statement will not and cannot be used against me in any subsequent proceedings against me other than disciplinary proceedings within the confines of the department itself. I authorize release of this report to my attorney or designated union representative.

I retain the right to amend or change this statement on reflection to correct any unintended mistake without subjecting myself to a charge of untruthfulness.

For any and all purposes, I hereby reserve my constitutional right to remain silent under the *FIFTH* and *FOURTEENTH AMENDMENTS* to the *UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION* and other rights prescribed by law. Further, I rely specifically upon the protection afforded to me under the doctrines set forth in *GARRITY VS. NEW JERSEY, 385 U.S. 493 (1967)*, and *SPEVACK VS. KLEIN, 385 U.S. 511 (1967)*, should this statement be used for any purpose other than as expressed herein.