3-01/040.85 - Cooperation During Criminal Investigation

Members have a duty to cooperate with investigators of the Department, or from other law enforcement agencies, who are conducting a criminal investigation. All statements made by members shall be full, complete, and truthful statements. Members shall provide statements as part of criminal investigations except when such statements would violate the member's right against self-incrimination. Failure to cooperate may subject the member to administrative discipline.

When a person conducting a criminal investigation for another law enforcement agency requests an interview with a member of this Department, the member shall make immediate notification to his Unit Commander, whenever the member is the subject of the investigation or in any case when the investigation relates to the member's employment as a peace officer. The interview must be approved by the Unit Commander who will also, after consultation with appropriate Divisional Departmental executives, determine if this Department should participate in or otherwise monitor the interview.