Chapter 13 - Court Orders

Lockup personnel receiving a Court Order that affects the status of an inmate shall comply with the order in an expeditious manner. Orders that dictate special treatment, visits, transportation, medical treatment, etc. are commonly issued by courts and should comply within the normal course of duties. If the Order is in conflict with Department policies and practices, lockup personnel shall immediately contact the Branch Supervisor. Branch Supervisors shall review the order to determine if there is a conflict, and/or if the court will consider modifying the Order to comply with the Department's policy.

Of particular concern, is Court Orders for the transportation of a dangerous felon or gang member to a funeral. Judges are often not fully appraised to the security concerns that such an order will cause, and may withdraw the order at the Department's request. If the court refuses to modify the Order, the Branch Supervisor shall immediately contact the Bureau Captain. In an effort to resolve the conflict, Branch Supervisors may want to contact the Custody Division for direction in handling the matter.