

5-14/070.05 Recording Inmate Conversations for Criminal Cases

Custody Division personnel may record or use any listening mechanism to monitor any unprivileged inmate conversation for the purpose of obtaining information for a criminal case. This order covers conversations taking place between inmates, unprivileged inmate conversations over outgoing public telephones, unprivileged inmate conversations on facility phones used exclusively for inmate visiting, and unprivileged conversations over the Inmate Video Visitation System.

Case law states that the secret monitoring and recording of unprivileged conversations in prisons, jails, and police stations does not constitute an unlawful search under the Fourth Amendment.
