GENERAL POLICE ORDER CLEVELAND DIVISION OF POLICE				
EFFECTIVE DATE:	REVISED DATE:		NO. PAGES:	NUMBER:
MARCH 1, 2002			1 of 2	1.3.09
SUBJECT: MILITARY COURTESY AND FORMATIONS				
ASSOCIATED MANUAL:		RELATED ORDERS:		
		1.3.03, 1.3.04		
CHIEF OF POLICE: Edward F. Lohn, Chief				

**PURPOSE:** To establish protocol for military courtesy and formations.

**POLICY:** Cleveland Division of Police members shall always act to convey honor to the United States flag and the National Anthem.

## **PROCEDURES:**

Uniformed officers controlling a crowd are not obligated to comply with the following:

- I. Military courtesy during the National Anthem
  - A. Uniformed officers and employees shall stand at attention, face the flag, salute and remain so until the playing stops. They shall not remove their uniform caps.
  - B. Personnel in civilian dress shall remove their hats and place their right hand on their left breast until the playing has stopped.
- **II.** Military courtesy for the United States flag carried in a parade or procession on a street or in a public place
  - A. Officers or employees in uniform shall stand at attention and salute the flag at the head of each section when it is within six paces. Officers shall not remove their uniform caps.
  - B. All officers shall remain at salute until the flag is two to three steps past them.

- **III.** Military courtesy used in formations
  - A. The ranking officer shall command when officers are required to perform as an organized group. The group shall move in a military manner.
  - B. The Ceremonial Team Coordinator shall direct personnel acting in concert at a funeral.