

**GREENVILLE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
REQUEST FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION**

Joshua Ellis Brown has completed the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy Training and has been certified as a Class 3 SLE Officer with the Greenville County Sheriff's Office EMS/SWAT Team effective **August 31, 2012** as a police officer with limited duty. The duties of this employee's position require him to be a commissioned law enforcement officer. A thorough background check has been conducted and the employee meets the necessary criteria to be deputized in accordance with State law and an agreement between the Greenville County Sheriff's Office and Greenville County. The conditions of this agreement are set forth in Greenville County Ordinance 2114.

Greenville County Ordinance 2114

Section One. Findings. Because of recent changes by the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division, hereinafter referred to SLED, certain Law Enforcement Officers of Greenville County can no longer be commissioned by the State. Greenville County Council finds that certain officers need to be commissioned as Law Enforcement Officers for Greenville County.

Section Two. Procedures. The County Administrator shall forward to County Council a list of County employees, that are not directly under the authority of the Greenville County Sheriff, who because of their necessary duties and functions, must possess all the pertinent power and authority of law enforcement officers. County Council shall refer to the Sheriff of Greenville County a list of all employees that shall be commissioned as law enforcement officers. The Sheriff of Greenville County, through his cooperation and agreement, shall commission the employees referred to him, pursuant to his authority to commission law enforcement officers.

Section Three. Qualifications. All employees, prior to referral to the Sheriff of Greenville County for commissioning, shall meet the minimum qualifications of law enforcement officers as established by the statutory and decisional law of South Carolina. All employees who are presently commissioned or who within the past six months were commissioned by the State shall be immediately eligible, upon the approval of County Council for the referral and commissioning by the Sheriff.

Section Four. Effect of Authority. This ordinance shall not be construed to limit, alter, change, encumber, or otherwise affect the duties, or the authority of the Sheriff of Greenville County. The County shall indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the Sheriff of Greenville County from any and all claims, cause of actions, suits or proceedings, that may arise against him personally, in his official capacity, or against his office as a result of commissioning, acts, omissions, control or lack of control or authority over the herein referenced County employees. The Sheriff shall have no direct authority over these employees; however, in cases of severe emergency or crisis, the County may make these employees available to assist in the maintenance of public order and the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the County.

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Section Five. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect upon the date of its adoption (May 1, 1990).

In witness whereof, the undersigned parties recommend this employee for commissioning by the Sheriff of Greenville County.

Witnessed

County of Greenville

Clerk to Council

By:

Herman G. (Butch) Kirven, Jr.
Chairman, Greenville County Council

And:

Joseph M. Kernell
County Administrator