## RESOLUTION 92- 57

WHEREAS the Fine and Forfeiture Fund has received unclaimed cash evidences. Per Florida Statutes 705.105 this cash vests with the Sheriff's Office.

WHEREAS these revenues were not anticipated in the 1991/92 budget for the Fine and Forfeiture Fund.

BE IT THEREFORE resolved by the Board of County Commissioners, Nassau County, Florida in regular session, duly assembled on the 16th day of December, 1991, the following budget amendment pursuant to Florida Statutes Chapter 129.06(2)(d) be adopted:

## REVENUE

101-351-200-101

Unclaimed Evidence

\$ 7,215.47

APROPRIATION

101-281-93-201

Budget Transfer - Sheriff

CHAIRMAN

\$ 7,215.47

ADOPTED this 16th day of December, 1991.

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EX OFFICIO CLERK

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

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DOLLARS \$ 7215.47

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## SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION

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June 13, 1991

Lieutenant Carl Woodle Nassau County Sheriff's Office 50 Bobby Moore Circle Yulee, FL 32097

Dear Lieutenant Woodle:

We have compiled the following legal opinion in response to your question:

How should a Sheriff's Office dispose of unclaimed cash evidence?

Section 705.105, Florida Statutes, provides that unclaimed evidence belongs to the agency 60 days after conclusion of the proceeding for which the evidence was seized. The agency may retain, transfer to a governmental unit, donate to charity, or sell at advertised public sale. The cash evidence should be given to the County Commission as an unanticipated revenue to be appropriated back to the Sheriff's Office as Section 705.105, Florida Statutes, mandates that title to such property shall vest in the Sheriff's Office but the Sheriff's Office needs budget authority from the county to spend it under Chapter 129, Florida Statutes!

Section 116.21, Florida Statutes, provides that Sheriffs are authorized at their discretion on or before September 25 of each and every year thereafter to pay into the fine and forfeiture fund of their respective counties any or all unclaimed monies deposited or collected by them in their official capacity, which unclaimed monies dame into their hands prior to January 1 of the preceding year and for which monies claim has not been made.

Persons having or claiming any interest in such funds or any portion of them shall file their written claims with the Sheriff creclerk of the Court of the county having custody of such funds within the time specified by the notice and shall make sufficient record to the Sheriff or Clerk of his ownership and upon so doing shall be entitled to receive any part of the monies so claimed.



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If we may be of further assistance to you in this matter, please call upon us.

Sincerely,

J.M. "Buddy" Phillips, Jr. Executive Director

Maury Kolchakian General Counsel

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