


Brenham Police Department

To: Cpl. J. Merkley

From: Jay Petrash, Deputy Chief of Police 

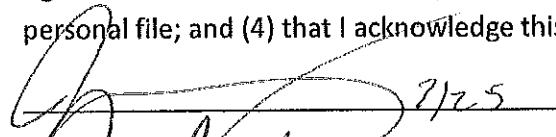
Date: August 30th, 2011

Subject: Letter of Verbal Counseling – Conduct Unbecoming an Officer
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This letter is to serve as a documentation of verbal counseling regarding your comments made to Cpl. Eddie Ortega regarding his relationship with Police Officer Casey Thumann: of "Having you been Tapping that", to which Cpl. Ortega in his written complaint stated; "On my first week of Fusion, Fusion Sgt. Gully and Cpl. Merkley both asked me in an unprofessional manner if I was tapping Officer Thumann. It was uncomfortable and disrespectful to me and her".

In keeping with Departmental policy, the following statement must appear on this document & you as an employee as a condition of employment is required to sign & date this form.

"I acknowledge that I have today received **Verbal Counseling** and I have been advised of the following rights: (1) that a written record of this counseling shall be maintained; (2) that I have a right to review the record and respond in writing; (3) that this form will become a part of my personal file; and (4) that I acknowledge this document by signing the record".


Cpl. Joe Merkley


Jay Petrash, Deputy Chief of Police

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