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Law Enforcement - Arrest -
Municipalities

City Police Officers have
county-wide arrest authority
in every county in which their
city's town limits extend.

Opinion by Assistant Attorney
General Carnes

Dear Chief Robertson:

In a recent letter you requested an official advisory
opinion on the following matter:

The town limits of Moundville are in
two counties. While most of Moundville town
limits are in Hale County, part of the
town limits extend into Tuscaloosa County.
My question is this: do Moundville City
Police Officers have the authority to
make arrest everywhere within Tuscaloosa
County as well as Hale County?

The answer to your question is yes.

Code of Alabama 1975, § 15-10-1 provides as follows:

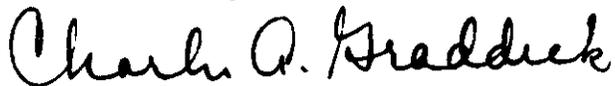
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An arrest may be made, under a warrant or without a warrant, by any sheriff or other officer acting as sheriff or his deputy, or by any constable, acting within their respective counties, or by any marshall, deputy marshall or policeman of any incorporated city or town within the limits of the county.

It is the official advisory opinion of this office that § 15-10-1 authorizes a Moundville City Policeman to make an arrest anywhere within Tuscaloosa County and Hale County.

Let us know if we can be of any further assistance to you.

Sincerely,



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