

# U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE UNITED STATES PARK POLICE

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#### **GENERAL ORDER**

## U.S. CAPITOL GROUNDS AND U.S. SUPREME COURT BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

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#### **2003.01 POLICY**

United States Park Police (USPP) officers shall abide by the laws regarding law enforcement authority on and within the U.S. Capitol Grounds and Buildings and U.S. Supreme Court buildings and grounds.

#### **2003.02 PURPOSE**

This General Order sets forth the policies and procedures of the USPP regarding the enforcement of law on and within the United States (U.S.) Capitol Grounds and Buildings and U.S. Supreme Court Buildings and Grounds.

#### 2003.03 LAW ENFORCEMENT - U.S. CAPITOL GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS

- A. The U.S. Capitol Grounds and Buildings comprise all properties that are under the jurisdiction of the Architect of the Capitol (see Appendix A showing properties under jurisdiction of the Architect of the Capitol (2007)), which includes various buildings, streets, roadways, walkways, etc., owned or leased by the Congress, including the Library of Congress buildings and grounds, as described in 40 U.S.C. §5102, as amended.
- B. The U.S. Capitol Police has the primary police responsibility for the U.S. Capitol Grounds and Buildings. USPP officers have full police authority on and within the U.S. Capitol Grounds and Buildings.

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- C. Prior to entering such buildings to make arrests in response to complaints or serving a warrant, USPP officers shall obtain the consent of the Capitol Police.
- D. USPP Officers possess similar authority with respect to the Library of Congress and the United States Supreme Court provided prior consent is given or a request is made by the Librarian of Congress, the Marshal of the Supreme Court, or their assistants.

#### **2003.04 CHANGE LOG**

- A. This General Order was republished on 10/18/2021 in order to incorporate its contents into the updated General Order format and to add "USPP" to the beginning of 2003.03(D). No changes to policy or procedures were made.
- B. The map in Appendix A was replaced on 10/28/2021 to reflect current jurisdictional boundaries.

#### APPENDIX A

