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Update on Traffic Warrant Clear-Up

On October 18, 2016 the Honorable Judge Christopher Hite signed and issued court order to recall 64,713 traffic warrant violations from citations on January 1, 2011 to October 30, 2015. Currently, the Central Warrants Bureau of the San Francisco Sheriff Department is in the process of recalling these warrants in the CLETS system. As of this writing, there is no specific time line for the completion of this project.

Officers who have a reason to conduct a record check shall adhere to current policies and practice as defined in DGO 6.18 and contact the Central Warrants Bureau to confirm all warrants. If it is determined that the warrant is invalid/recalled, then the investigating officer shall issue an 849(b) certificate as directed by DGO 5.03 and prepare an incident report detailing the circumstances for the detention and including the name and star number of the Central Warrant Bureau confirming the status of the warrant.

Officers are encouraged to continue to conduct all enforcements as appropriate. This process will assist the Central Warrants Bureau to expedite removal of recalled warrants from the system.


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