

SECTION 7.8.1 – ETHICS

The Ouachita Parish Police Jury adheres to State of Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics (LA – R.S. 42:1101 et seq). Beginning in 2012, all public servants in the State of Louisiana will be required to take one hour of ethics training per calendar year on the Code of Governmental Ethics pursuant to LA R.S. 42:1170A. All Parish employees are considered public servants and will be required to complete this ethics training by the end of each calendar year. Compliance with the provisions of this policy is required by the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics. The Ouachita Parish Police Jury provides to each new employee an Ethics law booklet that summarized the Ethics laws and gives examples. In addition, the Ouachita Parish Police Jury will provide either seminars and/or computer based ethics training for all employees. Department Heads are required to submit the training confirmation for each of their employees by June 30th of each year to the Human Resources Director. All Parish employees are required to confirm, through signature verification, that they have read OPPJ's policy on Ethics as required by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor. An employee is required to report any known instances of fraud or ethics violations to their Department Head or the Human Resources Director. Employees not adhering to this policy will be subject to disciplinary action, as in Section 8.2, and applicable state laws. (updated 8/6/2018)