



City of Phoenix

To: Kara Kalkbrenner
Fire Chief

Date: May 14, 2015

From: Milton Dohoney, Jr. *MD*
Assistant City Manager

Re: IAFF LOGOS DISPLAYED ON FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES

As you are aware questions were recently raised surrounding the appropriateness of IAFF logos being affixed to vehicles assigned to the Phoenix Fire Department. In that same discussion there was also an inquiry regarding the display of the Paradise Valley Town Seal on two PFD vehicles. The probative nature of the inquiries prompted an analysis of the history of these arrangements and the legal basis upon which they exist.

Our legal analysis has determined that there is no issue with the Town Seal from Paradise Valley affixed to two vehicles since Phoenix and Paradise Valley have entered into a legally executed intergovernmental agreement to provide fire suppression service within Paradise Valley borders. That is not the case, however, regarding the display of the IAFF logos on PFD vehicles. There is no contractual relationship that legitimizes the display of IAFF logos on PFD vehicles. Further, the display of IAFF logos on PFD vehicles may constitute a violation of Arizona laws. Therefore, the IAFF logos should be removed from all PFD equipment as soon as reasonably possible but no later than within the next 3-4 months.

Cc: Dan Brown
Ed Zuercher