

THE ROLE OF POLICE STATION 6 BARANGAY BATASAN HILLS QUEZON CITY IN CONDUCTING INITIAL CONTACT OF CHILDREN IN CONFLICT WITH THE LAW

ABSTRACT

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Children are the hope of our society—they are the ones who will take our place in the future. Therefore, it is the responsibility of parents and adults to protect and guide them. Unfortunately, not all children receive the same level of parental supervision and care. As a result, some make mistakes without fully understanding the serious consequences of their actions. These children are often placed under the care of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) and are labeled as “Children in Conflict with the Law” (CICL). Since they are minors, they are not referred to as “criminals” or given the same legal labels as adults. The researchers employed a descriptive research design using quantitative methods. A total of 50 respondents participated in the study, including 20 Criminologists, 15 Children in Conflict with the Law (CICL), and 15 Social Workers. Data were gathered using validated survey questionnaires to ensure clarity and accuracy. Snowball sampling was used to reach the target respondents. The collected data were analyzed using frequency, percentage, weighted mean, and a four-point Likert scale. The researchers found that, from the perspective of awareness, the majority of respondents strongly agreed with the statement: “Respect and dignity are shown during the actual initial contact.” Regarding manpower, the most selected response by both CICL and Social Workers was: “The personnel document and report the incident properly.” Additionally, both Social Workers and Criminologists emphasized: “Professionalism is maintained during initial contact.” As for policy and procedure, CICL respondents strongly agreed with: “The organization’s policies and procedures are consistently implemented.” Meanwhile, Social Workers preferred the statement: “No harmful weapons are present during initial contact,” and Criminologists most frequently selected: “Proper introduction is given during initial contact.” The findings suggest that criminologists and social workers exhibit strong awareness of ethical standards and proper procedures when handling Children in Conflict with the Law (CICL). Most respondents agreed that organizational policies are consistently followed and that personnel are adequately trained. However, the findings also highlight the need for improved communication and preventive measures to reduce the likelihood of negative incidents. Overall, criminologists demonstrate confidence and preparedness in managing CICL cases effectively.

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