

**Subject :**

Is the acceptance of the invitation of judiciary police to dinner parties by prosecutors in private a violation of the “Ethics Guidelines for Civil Servants”.

**Description :**

According to the “The Code of Criminal Procedure”, judiciary police officers and policemen shall be subject to the command of the prosecutors in the investigation of crimes. As such, prosecutors shall not accept the invitation of judiciary police officers and policemen to dinner parties in private. If it is necessary to take part as a matter of ceremonial protocol, public events organized by the private sector for celebration of festivities, and where common people are also invited, supervisors shall be petitioned in advance for approval and the Ethics Office shall be notified before attending the events. For social occasions like engagements and weddings, and those held at the level of common courtesy of social customs, petition for approval and notification is not necessary.