

505.00 PROBABLE CAUSE

- Probable cause to arrest exists when an officer has sufficient specific reliable information to believe that it is more likely than not that the person has committed or is committing a crime.
- When establishing probable cause for crimes not personally observed by the officer, the officer will usually need a combination of two or more of the following sources:
 - Information received from fellow officers;
 - Information supplied by the victim or witness;
 - Information supplied by an informant;
 - The suspect's response:
 - Incriminating statements,
 - Erroneous statements,
 - Contradictory statements,
 - Evasive answers;
 - The flight of the suspect;
 - Furtive gestures;
 - Attempts to hide or avoid detection;
 - Presence at or near the crime scene;
 - Time of day and nature of area; or
 - The officer's knowledge of a suspect's prior criminal record.