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## **Retired Lieutenant Commander Running for Fulton Sheriff Shares his Public Policy on Immigration Enforcement at the County Line**

Atlanta, GA - 02/20/24 - In light of Georgia State Representative Jesse Petrea's recent advocacy for enhanced immigration enforcement, Charles Rambo, a candidate for Fulton County Sheriff, articulates his stance on immigration enforcement at the local level, emphasizing objectivity and adherence to existing laws.

In response to a recent questionnaire from the ACLU, "Know Your Sheriff," asking about continuing cooperation with the federal government's 287 g program, Rambo answered yes. He reflects upon his expertise in managing a significant county jail and law enforcement interactions in police academy courses about anti-biased policing in communities:



Absent federal law, the state of Georgia gives explicit directions under [OCGA 36-80-23](#) and [OCGA 50-36-1](#) on how we should proceed with verifying the status of an undocumented person, mainly those persons arrested for criminal violations.

Rambo rejects partisan pressures regarding undocumented individuals and emphasizes the imperative for equal treatment under the law. Like a U.S. citizen, any undocumented person must undergo GCIC and NCIC checks that verify their status and potential outstanding charges from other jurisdictions. Article 36 of the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations also allows persons to contact their consulate. He adds:

***"as the chief law enforcement officer under the 14th amendment, I cannot give an undocumented person who has committed a crime "immunity from prosecution" especially when the Fulton County Jail inmate population is 89.3% black male and county level officials are attempting to send those unindicted inmates to Florida and Mississippi jails to relieve overcrowding."***

As an Intelligence analyst trained by the U.S. Department of Justice and a state-certified gang investigator, he is concerned about the proliferation of multi-national gangs in Georgia jails, an ideal place to recruit and expand with local criminal organizations. He reflects upon his pioneering and teaching on his concept of Correctional Intelligence in the Fulton County Jail that monitored security threat groups who could pose a significant threat to internal order and discipline in the jail, which pose a significant threat to communities.

In January 2024, he submitted a draft of legislation to the Georgia General Assembly, the Georgia Jail Violence and Contraband Prevention Act, that could help objective immigration enforcement by identifying and tracking persons, groups, or activities within jails that threaten communities.

He concludes that his public policy on immigration enforcement is non-partisan, consistent with existing Georgia law and his platform, The Community Sheriff Initiative, to ensure that all persons enjoy fundamental rights. However, in thinking globally and acting locally, Rambo asserts.

***Immigration enforcement with the scope of persons in custody is not an evil-eye focus on any specific nationality; it's about deterring violence and abuse at the county line from any person or group who acts criminally to threaten communities. Regardless if you are citizen or undocumented, if you threaten life, liberty, or property in Fulton County, expect equal enforcement of the law."***

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