

**14B NCAC 16 .0405 PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR'S USE OF A BADGE**

While engaged in his or her official duties, a private investigator shall be allowed to carry, possess, and display the badge set forth in this Rule. The badge shall be a duplicate of the badge shown below except for the licensee's name and license number. The badge shall be gold with dark blue lettering. Any deviation from this design shall be deemed an unauthorized badge and may constitute a violation of G.S. 74C-12(a) and this Rule. The badge shall be carried in a folding pocket case with the badge displayed on one side of the case and the private investigator's pocket credential issued by the Board displayed on the opposite side of the case. In no instance may the badge be displayed, even in a case, openly on the breast pocket, the belt, a neck lanyard, or any other open carry or possession.



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