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PSSAB 2013 Summer Newsletter

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As we progress through this summer and prepare for the fall, we do so with a new PSSAB board leadership team in place. I would like to, first and foremost, publicly thank Mr. Paul Ellis, the former PSSAB Chairman, for his dedicated service to the PSSAB from 2007 through 2013. He set a high standard for all of us board members to follow and we will make every effort not to let his efforts go by the wayside with the current changing of the guard. We fully intend to push forward and complete the many efforts begun under his board leadership and we thank him for his professional and personal service.

I would also like to take this public opportunity to thank Ms. MaryKay Wakefield for service to the PSSAB as our board secretary. Without the corporate knowledge and wisdom Ms. Wakefield brought to the board, we would not have been as successful as we were or are today. Ms. Wakefield is one of the PSSA Board's most respected members. Again, thank you for your service to the PSSAB and to the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Finally, I would like to publicly thank each of the sitting PSSA Board members for their vote of confidence and trust they have placed in me at this time. I fully comprehend and realize the importance of this seat and the responsibility to ensure the PSSAB equally represents all the private security professions and to ensure there is an open forum for these professions to present their ideas, concerns and solutions to the board and, in turn, to the Commonwealth of Virginia.

I have asked that each of our board members to consider the following three decision pillars for every decision and vote we make on the board. In considering these three decision pillars, I am confident we, as a board, will be able to provide substantial recommendations to DCJS and the CJSB (Criminal Justices Services Board) for the betterment of the Commonwealth, the Private Security Professions and the Security Professional.

PSSAB Decision Pillars:

Will this benefit, protect and safeguard the citizens of the Commonwealth?

Will this benefit and be a productive revenue source to the private security businesses in the Commonwealth?

Will this be a manageable and realistic, user friendly process for the end user, the DCJS registrant?


As we move forward, I sincerely look forward to working with each of our board members, DCJS, CJSB and the private security professionals. Remember, only you can make a difference, but to do this, you must participate and get involved!!

All my best,
Frank A. Phillips
Chairman, PSSAB

2013 PSSAB Proposed Quarterly Meeting Dates/Locations

Date:	<i>Friday, March 8, 2013</i>	<i>Winchester, VA</i>	COMPLETED
Date:	<i>Tuesday, June 4, 2013</i>	<i>Richmond Area</i>	COMPLETED
Date:	<i>Tuesday, July 23, 2013</i>	<i>Richmond, VA</i>	COMPLETED
Date:	<i>Wednesday, September 18, 2013</i>	<i>Held with VA Crime Clinic Conference, Sheraton Norfolk Waterside</i>	
Date:	<i>Tuesday, December 3, 2013</i>	<i>TBD in Richmond Area</i>	

For additional and updated information visit the Board Website <http://dcjs.virginia.gov/about/boards.cfm#pssab>



“PARTNERING TO PROTECT: LAW ENFORCEMENT AND SECURITY SERVICES PROTECTING OUR COMMUNITIES”

48TH ANNUAL STATE CRIME CLINIC TRAINING SEMINAR

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES

SHERATON NORFOLK WATERSIDE HOTEL | SEPTEMBER 18-20, 2013

48TH ANNUAL VIRGINIA CRIME CLINIC SEMINAR IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE DCJS ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Additional Details can be found at: www.dcjs.virginia.gov/trainingevents/ps/2013/conference

The Department of Criminal Justice Services is proud to announce “Partnering to Protect: Law Enforcement and Security Services Protecting our Communities”, a joint partnership with the Virginia State Crime Clinic. This year’s 48th Annual State Crime Clinic Training Seminar will be held at Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel in Norfolk, Virginia, from Wednesday, September 18 to Friday, September 20, 2013.

The purpose of this conference is to build cohesion and partnerships between law enforcement agencies and private security services providing critical services to our constituencies. Building upon past conferences and trainings, this joint venture will highlight a variety of pertinent and highly relevant topics delivered by exceptional trainers from across the Commonwealth and nation. Do not miss this excellent opportunity to experience firsthand how law enforcement and private security can join forces in an effort to make our communities safer. With so many different acts of crime and terrorism impacting our communities on a daily basis, now is a critical time to improve collaboration.

SUMMARY OF KEY ITEMS FROM THE QUARTERLY MEETING (JULY 23)

Held at RMC Events, Henrico, VA

10:00am

Election of Officers

- Acting Chairman, Frank Phillips, thanked outgoing Chairman Paul Ellis for his years of service to the Board and the industry as a whole. While Chairman Ellis couldn’t be with us at the meeting, Mr. Phillips offered to personally deliver Mr. Ellis his plaque to commemorate his years of service.
- The Board unanimously elected the following officers to for the coming 2013-2014 year:
 - **Chairman:** Frank Phillips, Personal Protection Specialist Representative
 - **Vice Chairman:** Dan Schmitt, Private Security Business Representative
 - **Secretary:** Robert Clark, Private Security Business Representative
- Each of the elected representatives expressed their appreciation for the vote of confidence and promised to work for measured progress and an unprecedented level of communication within our entire industry in the coming year.

DCJS gave their quarterly report to the Board

- Ms. Lisa McGee summarized several key items in her update:
 - First, she covered the regulation changes which have been passed, approved by the Governor’s office, and take effect beginning September 1, 2013. More information on these regulation changes can be found at: www.dcjs.virginia.gov/pss/documents/PendingFinalRegulations9-2013.pdf. Changes have been highlighted for your convenience.
 - Additionally, Ms. McGee highlighted the completion of the Personal Protection Specialist brochure to aid in public understanding of the in’s/out’s of personal protection specialists. www.dcjs.virginia.gov/pss/pssab/publicnotice.cfm.
 - Lastly, Ms. McGee mentioned the current vacancy on the PSSAB. There is currently one seat available on our industry Advisory Board under the category of Instructor Representative. The Criminal Justice Services Board (CJSB) has the statutory authority to appoint the members of the PSSAB and will make the appointment not later than the September 12, 2013 CJSB meeting.
- Ms. Neadie Moore gave a VERY important update of NEW and UPDATED forms that will soon be implemented. We encourage all businesses and individuals to utilize the DCJS website (www.dcjs.virginia.gov/forms/sectionForms.cfm?code=8&program=ps) for the most updated forms being utilized.
- Lastly, Mr. Robbie Robertson gave a terrific update of the planning that is occurring for the September conference. As noted in this newsletter, we encourage you to attend and take advantage of this conference where you can pick up the latest trends in our industry, AND take advantage of the in-service training credits available!

HAROLD MCCANN EXCELLENCE IN SERVICE AWARD – NOMINATIONS BEING ACCEPTED

The Harold L. McCann Memorial Award is awarded annually to an individual who has exhibited strong leadership, innovation, courage, and excellence in the *private security services profession* in the Commonwealth of Virginia. This award is given in recognition of Mr. Harold L. McCann for his dedication, personal integrity, and demonstrated leadership in more than 40 years of service in the private security industry. This award will be presented annually at the PSSAB meetin held in conjunction with the Virginia State Crime Clinic Training Seminar starting in 2014. The Board is currently reviewing the nomination process and more information will be forthcoming in future newsletters.



A MESSAGE FOR PRIVATE SECURITY BUSINESS OWNERS AND REGISTRANTS

Please note that we, as your appointed Board Members, are **YOUR VOICE**. We are here to listen to YOUR concerns and bring them forth for discussion. Should you have ANY questions, comments, and/or concerns as it relates to our industry please contact us so that we can address them on your behalf. Further, you are ALWAYS welcome and encouraged to attend our Quarterly Meetings and bring your concerns to the Board in person. Your current Board representatives, by category, are:

- **Private Security Business Representatives**
 - Dan Schmitt, RMC Events Dan@RMCEvents.com
 - John Hall, American Security Group jhall@teamasg.com
 - Robert Clark, Clark Security Consulting rclark@clarksecurityconsulting.com
- **Personal Protection Specialist Representative**
 - Frank Phillips, Golden Seal Enterprises fphillips@goldensealenterprises.com
- **Private Investigative Representatives**
 - Amy Lockhart, East Coast Confidential Lockhart26@hotmail.com
 - Charles Ciccotti, Ciccotti Enterprises charlie@ciccottipi.com
- **Bail Bondsman Representative**
 - Stokes McCune, Henrico Bonding Company stokesmccune@aol.com
- **Electronic Security Business Representatives**
 - Mary Kay Wakefield, Richmond Alarm Company mwakefield@richmondalarm.com
 - Seth Oginz, Security Consultants Unlimited alarmingsails@verizon.net
- **Special Conservator of the Peace (SCOP) Representative**
 - Tom Turner, Roanoke College Turner@Roanoke.edu
- **Law Enforcement Representative**
 - Chief Craig Branch, Germanna Community College cbranch@germanna.edu
- **Locksmith Business Representatives**
 - Danny Washburn, Meador & Company Locksmiths cot14u@aol.com
 - Gary Ford, Eastern Safe & Lock gwford@easternsafe.com
- **Armored Car Representative**
 - Kevin Hodges, Loomis Armored kevin.hodges@us.loomis.com

A MESSAGE REGARDING PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE SCOP REGULATIONS

- There has been a PSSAB SCOP committee formed and we are putting together a group of end SCOP users on the private sector to discuss upcoming changes that DCJS is seeking to make. ***We don't have much time, and need as many who market or provide, (work-as) SCOP services to participate in this discussion.***
- DCJS has made it clear that they will be making changes to present to the Governor's office this coming September which could impact private SCOP services.
- If you or someone in your organization can participate please let me know ASAP.
- Our goal is to discuss the issues we know about that DCJS has presented and come up good solutions to present to DCJS, as well as, keep the industry informed what is going on.
- Our first meeting was held Friday, August from 9am – 11am in Richmond at the Dumbarton Library, located at 6800 Staples Mill Road, Richmond, VA 23228.
- For more information or to get involved, please contact John Hall at: jhall@teamasg.com

CLOSING AND BEST WISHES

Please look for our 3rd Quarter Newsletter of 2013 within 10 days after our September meeting (Wednesday, September 18, 2013 at the Sheraton Norfolk Waterside). All of us at the PSSAB wish you the very best!

Sincerely,

Your PSSAB Board Members

Click below for complete listing and contact information of Board Members

www.dcjs.virginia.gov/directories/boards/pssab.cfm