



Investigations Committee

NEWSLETTER

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Recommended Policy on the Issuance of Credentials to Retired OIG Agents

In July 2008, the Investigations Committee issued a recommended policy for a standardized application of the *Law Enforcement Officers' Safety Act*, which exempts qualified current and former law enforcement officers from State laws prohibiting the carrying of concealed handguns. The model policy is specifically designed to address the issuance of credentials to eligible retirees in the OIG community. While no individual OIG is obligated to adopt this policy, the Committee believes it is in the community's interest to be as consistent as possible in the application of this statutory authority. Any office in need of a copy of the recommended policy may contact Mona Mafi in the SSA's OIG Office of Counsel at 410-966-2190 or email her at mona.mafi@ssa.gov

Inspector General Criminal Investigator Academy Update

In recent weeks, Investigations Committee Chairman Pat O'Carroll has been working with Inspector General Criminal Investigator Academy (IGCIA) Executive Director Angela Hrdlicka to ensure that the immediate needs of the Academy are met and that it continues to serve the Community in its usual exemplary fashion. To that end, Angela designed a new strategy and turned to the Community for help in implementing it. Bill Roderick, Deputy IG for the EPA, responded by making available two FTEs for the Academy's use in hiring two much-needed and highly qualified program managers. The Academy will be well-served by playing a primary role in selecting individuals for these important jobs. To facilitate this, Angela, Bill Roderick's office, and Pat O'Carroll's office are working together to create the necessary MOUs and Position Descriptions and announce these vacancies. Together, they will convene a panel to interview the applicants and make selections that serve the IGICIA's current needs while keeping in mind EPA's long-term interests as the employing agency.

Peer Review Schedule

A team of AIGIs has completed an update to the Investigative Peer Review schedule. The current version runs through mid-2010. The team updated it through 2014. The updated schedule will be posted to IGMET shortly.

2009 ADI Conference

USDA AIGI Karen Ellis has volunteered to sponsor the 2009 Association of Directors of Investigation conference. The conference is scheduled for April 13 -17, 2009, in Cape May, NJ.

Upcoming Meeting:
September 23, 2008 at
10:00 a.m.