

Media Alert

New Commissioner Appointed

Gainesville, Virginia, March 8, 2021 – CALEA®, the Gold Standard in Public Safety, is pleased to announce the appointment of Oklahoma State Senator **Darrell Weaver**. Commissioner Weaver's appointment was effective March 5, 2021.

Darrell Weaver has represented District 24 of the Oklahoma State Senate since 2018. Prior to his appointment he served as Director of the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control and retired after 28 years of service. He holds a Master of Business Administration from Oklahoma Christian University and a Bachelor's of Accounting from Cameron University. He is a graduate of the 199th Session of the FBI National Academy, and of the Senior Management Institute for Police. In 2014 he was inducted into the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Hall of Fame.

The knowledge and experience this individual brings to CALEA ensures the organization continues to meet its mission of promoting professionalism within the field of public safety. CALEA congratulates and welcomes our new Commissioner.

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About CALEA

The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc., (CALEA®) was created in 1979 as a credentialing authority through the joint efforts of law enforcement's major executive associations: International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP); National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE); National Sheriffs' Association (NSA); and the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF).

The purpose of CALEA's Accreditation Programs is to improve the delivery of public safety services, primarily by: maintaining a body of standards, developed by public safety practitioners, covering a wide range of up-to-date public safety initiatives; establishing and administering an accreditation process; and recognizing professional excellence.

Specifically, CALEA's goals are to: Strengthen crime prevention and control capabilities; Formalize essential management procedures; Establish fair and nondiscriminatory personnel practices; Improve service delivery; Solidify interagency cooperation and coordination; and Increase community and staff confidence in the agency. The CALEA Accreditation Process is a proven modern management model; once implemented, it presents the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), on a continuing basis, with a blueprint that promotes the efficient use of resources and improves service delivery—regardless of the size, geographic location, or functional responsibilities of the agency This accreditation program provides public safety agencies an opportunity to voluntarily demonstrate that they meet an established set of professional standards based on industry best practices and approved by an all-volunteer board of commissioners.

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