



## International Public Safety Associations Announces Appointments for Three New Association Committees: Communications; Peer Review; and Emerging Technologies

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The International Public Safety Association appointed several members representing law enforcement, fire service, EMS, telecommunications, and private sector security to three new association committees: Communications; Peer Review; and Emerging Technologies. The committees are an opportunity for members to roll up their sleeves to develop policies, recommendations, publications, and artifacts for the Association and the global public safety community.

The Communications Committee, chaired by Niky Smith with Cypress Creek EMS (TX), is responsible for providing the Association information and direction on the current and projected status of communication centers within the public safety spectrum as it pertains to operations, training, response and professional development. The committee will work diligently to develop strategies, publish articles, and distribute any pertinent information through various mediums that will aim to enhance the overall understanding of communication centers and the vital role of telecommunicators in emergency response.

The Peer Review Committee, chaired by Dr. Richard Bistline, will provide the Association guidance in all matters relating to the development of a new publication - the *IPSA Journal*. The committee will be initially charged with establishing manuscript guidelines for the *IPSA Journal*, developing a checklist and criteria for publication to include specific criteria for review to all for approval, rejection and resubmissions. The first release of the *IPSA Journal* is scheduled for October 2016.

The Emerging Technologies in Public Safety Committee, chaired by Dennis Weiner, consists of representatives in law enforcement, fire, EMS, and the private sector. This Committee is responsible for providing the Association with contemporary information on all matters relating to the development and implementation of operational and tactical technology solutions that have application in Law Enforcement, Fire, EMS, Emergency Management, and Security.

### **About the International Public Safety Association**

The International Public Safety Association, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, was established in July 2014 in the State of Arizona to bring the public safety community closer together by offering opportunities to network, cross-train, and build a stronger public safety community capable of an effective joint response to all incidents.

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