



## INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECURITY AND INVESTIGATIVE REGULATORS

Dan Logsdon, Director  
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The Council of State Governments  
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Dear Mr. Logsdon:

The organizations noted in this letter are in full support of the application for the Department of Defense and Council of State Governments grant to support Interstate Compacts governing the mobility of private investigators. Funding from this grant will support private investigator leadership from every state in the country in their effort to create an Interstate Compact to authorize private investigator license reciprocity throughout the United States. The purpose of this letter is to share the benefits that may result from the grant and request your organization join those identified herein to provide support during the application process.

As of March 2022, there are 39,478 private investigators nationwide, including private investigators who practice in the five states that do not govern licensing requirements (Alaska, Idaho, Mississippi, South Dakota and Wyoming). Although there are general licensing requirements adopted by each state, there is no unified set of licensing standards shared by the states that do have requirements, and of these states, only ten have been successful in establishing reciprocity agreements before running into legislative roadblocks.

Private investigators are forced to maintain licenses in multiple states, which is costly and time-consuming, or they are restricted in their ability to operate within the jurisdiction(s) unless they hold a license. Meanwhile, investigations often cross state lines, involve investigations of businesses, individuals and organizations that operate in different states simultaneously, and other situations in which limited reciprocity causes issues in the search for the truth.

In an effort to alleviate these challenges, the International Association of Security and Investigative Regulators (IASIR) formed a Reciprocity Committee of state regulators and industry representatives from every state with the shared mission of accomplishing this goal of drafting an Interstate Compact to create nationwide reciprocity during 2022. This initiative takes time and resources to accomplish. Accordingly, IASIR identified grants through the Department of Defense and Council of State Governments to support this initiative. Funding from this grant will help achieve the following benefits:

- Unify professional standards, accountability, and heightened compliance within the national private investigation industry.
- Ensure that all private investigators operating in the United States meet rigorous licensing requirements.
- Streamline investigations of cases that cross state lines.

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- Support the flow of information between investigators nationwide by standardizing practices.
- Allow private investigators to move to a different state without compromising their career, ongoing investigations, or income stream.
- Provide a viable employment option for military spouses.

For these reasons, the organizations noted below are in full support of this grant application.

- International Association of Security and Investigative Regulators (IASIR)
- National Association of Legal Investigators (NALI)
- International Intelligence Network (Intellenet)
- Virginia Professional Investigators and Security Association (VAPISA)
- Pennsylvania Association of Licensed Investigators (PALI)
- Council of Association Leaders (COAL)
- Florida Association of Private Investigators (FAPI)

Nicole Gray is the private investigator industry representative for the IASIR Board of Directors and is coordinating these efforts. Nicole can be reached at [nicole@infinityinvestigative.com](mailto:nicole@infinityinvestigative.com) should any questions arise.

Sincerely,

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