The Florida Accreditation conference was held September 23-27, 2013 at the Hyatt Regency in Sarasota. Florida Accreditation thanks the Florida Police Accreditation Coalition for their dedication and hard work in making this conference a success. We also thank the Sarasota Sheriff’s Office, Sarasota Police Department, North Port Police Department and the Venice Police Department for hosting the conference. The volunteers were greatly appreciated for their many hours dedicated to the conference.

The Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission (FCAC) met on September 24, 2013 for facility reviews and to conduct general business. The main order of business was to grant reaccreditation to the Okaloosa County Department of Corrections and the Santa Rosa County Sheriff’s Office Detention Center.

The Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation, Inc. (CFA) met on September 25, 2013 to review agencies for accredited status and conduct general business. The main order of business was to acknowledge the professionalism of agencies through granting accreditation. Port Canaveral Police Department, Tallahassee Community College Police Department and Golden Beach Police Department were awarded initial accreditation.

Agencies reaccredited by the Commission at this meeting were: Lake County Sheriff’s Office, Lakeland Police Department, Largo Police Department, Palm Bay Police Department, Palmetto Police Department, Neptune Beach Police Department, Florida Department of Lottery Inspector General, Citrus County Sheriff’s Office, Santa Rosa County Sheriff’s Office, Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles Inspector General, Boynton Beach Police Department, Cape Coral Police Department, Delray Beach Police Department, Orange County Sheriff’s Office, Collier County Sheriff’s Office, Coral Springs Police Department and Port St. Lucie Police Department. Okaloosa County Department of Corrections were awarded reaccreditation by the Commission with recognition as Excelsior Agencies.

On September 23, 2013, the Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission (FCAC) and the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA) respective Standards Review and Interpretations Committees (SRIC) held a joint SRIC meeting to simultaneously address standards related to both law enforcement and corrections. The meeting was very productive and allowed both Commissions the ability to make those standards affecting all parties more consistent. At the conclusion of the joint meeting, each SRIC also addressed commission specific changes and made those recommendations to their respective Commissions.

The next Florida Accreditation Conference is scheduled for February 3-7, 2014, at the Hyatt Regency in Jacksonville. We look forward to seeing you there!
It is hard to believe another year has come to a close. In 2013 we added 4 agencies to FCAC and 13 to CFA. We welcome all of these agencies to the accreditation community and look forward to working with them to achieve this great accomplishment!

We held the simultaneous SRIC meeting during the September conference and the committees were supportive of the hard work presented by the workgroup. This was a great effort to ensure the law enforcement and corrections communities stay consistent with standards affecting the criminal justice agencies. During the September conference, we also hosted several of the state accrediting bodies, allowing them to attend the Commission meetings and the training opportunities during the conference. We thank the FLA-PAC for being gracious co-hosts and allowing them to participate. Everyone in attendance was very complimentary of everyone they encountered and they were all thankful for the many ideas they were able to take back to their respective states.

We again conducted Team Leader conference calls to address any accreditation issues from the assessor’s perspective. Look for additional Team Leader training to be held in 2014 to make certain we are addressing those issues unique to our Team Leaders.

We look forward to seeing many of you at the training classes offered throughout the state and at the conferences and welcome you to share any training ideas you may have so that we can continue to provide each of you with the skills necessary to be successful.

Please let us know if you have any questions, concerns or comments, and we look forward to continuing the delivery of excellent service to each and every one of you.

Sincerely,
CFA/FCAC Staff
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Colonel Calvin L. Adams Jr. has been the director of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) Division of Law Enforcement since May 2013. As leader of the largest conservation law enforcement agency in the country, he oversees more than 1,000 employees.

Colonel Adams began his career with FWC’s predecessor agency, the Florida Marine Patrol, in 1985 in Indian River County. He worked his way up as an investigator, lieutenant, captain and major across the state, working in Tampa, Lake City and Tallahassee. From 2007 to 2013, he served as Division of Law Enforcement deputy director, directing statewide operations, including the aviation and K-9 programs, and providing guidance to staff regarding search-and-rescue activities, targeted resource protection efforts and special details.

Colonel Adams has an Associate of Arts degree from Hillsborough Community College and has attended numerous training and development courses including the Florida Department of Law Enforcement’s Chief Executive Seminar and the FBI’s National Academy, Session 237. He is a native Floridian from Crystal River and now lives in Tallahassee with his wife, Olga. They have two adult children.

Shirley Olson received her BA in Legal Studies from the University of Central Florida in 1994 and her Master’s of Public Administration in 2000. She began her career with the court system as a Deputy Clerk of Court in Seminole County. She then was employed as Seminole County Probation Officer and managed a private probation agency in Volusia County for several years before assuming her position as Criminal Court Services Manager for the 7th Judicial Circuit in June 2005. In this capacity Shirley works closely with the Court Administrator and judges assigned to a criminal division. She is also responsible for the oversight of the Volusia County Pretrial Services program and the Court Interpreting, Court Reporting, and Digital Court Reporting departments for the circuit which comprises 4 counties. She is a member of the National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies and the Association of Pretrial Professionals of Florida. She also participates in the Public Safety Coordinating Councils for the circuit, as well as the Probation Advisory Committee and Domestic Violence Committee. She is currently completing the Certified Court Manager program through the National Center for State Courts and serves as the project manager for the Remote Court Interpreting project and the development and implementation of the Criminal Court Case Management system.
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE AGENCIES ACCREDITED AND REACCREDITED AT THE SARASOTA CONFERENCE!

INITIAL ACCREDITATIONS:

- Okaloosa County Department of Corrections
- Santa Rosa County Sheriff’s Office, Department of Detention
- Boynton Beach Police Department
- Cape Coral Police Department
- Citrus County Sheriff’s Office
- Delray Beach Police Department
- Collier County Sheriff’s Office
- Coral Springs Police Department
- Largo Police Department
- Orange County Sheriff’s Office
- Port St. Lucie Police Department

REACCREDITATIONS

- Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Inspector General
- Florida Department of the Lottery, Inspector General
- Lake County Sheriff’s Office
- Lakeland Police Department
- Neptune Beach Police Department
- Palm Bay Police Department
- Palmetto Police Department
- Santa Rosa County Sheriff’s Office

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