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ACCREDITATION TEAM INVITES PUBLIC COMMENTS ABOUT

FLORIDA SUPREME COURT, OFFICE OF THE MARSHAL

Tallahassee: A team of assessors from the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA) will arrive July 21, 2020, to examine all aspects of the Office’s policies and procedures, management, operations, and support services. The Office of the Marshal has to comply with approximately 250 standards in order to receive accredited status. Many of the standards are critical to life, health and safety issues.

As part of the assessment, agency members and the general public are invited to offer comments to the assessment team. A copy of the standards manual is available through Vicki Cutcliffe, Accreditation Manager, at 850-251-0872.

For more information regarding CFA or for persons wishing to offer written comments about the Marshal’s Office ability to meet the standards of accreditation, please write: CFA, P.O. Box 1489, Tallahassee, Florida 32302, or email to flaccreditation@fdle.state.fl.us.

The Accreditation Program Manager for the Office is Vicki Cutcliffe. She said the assessment team is composed of law enforcement practitioners from similar agencies. The assessors will review written materials; interview individuals; and visit offices and other areas where compliance can be witnessed.

Once the Commission’s assessors complete their review of the agency, they report back to the full Commission, which will then determine if the agency is to receive re-accredited status. The Office’s accreditation is valid for 3 years. Verification by the team that the Office meets the Commission’s standards is part of a voluntary process to gain or maintain accreditation—a highly prized recognition of law enforcement professional excellence, Marshal Dawson said.