

Chief Executive Officer's Report

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Webster's Dictionary defines "leader" as "a person who guides or inspires others." Another defines it as "the principal wheel in any kind of machinery." When looking for a service, most people will typically search for a business which takes on these characteristics. Let's face it, as consumers we will look for the best value at a reasonable price, and want a product or service which has quality aspects.

Choosing your exclusive representative should be no different and not taken lightly. LELS has been the leader in law enforcement representation since 1977. And since then, nearly fifty-five hundred essential law enforcement personnel throughout the State have come to realize this. Quality, professional service is exactly what you receive from LELS. With a full compliment of seasoned business agents, six of whom are former law enforcement, one former assistant county attorney, one former teacher negotiator and one private/public negotiator. This group of business agents has seventy-years of combined service. Nowhere else will you find experience like this. LELS also employs in-house attorneys to represent you in internal affairs and grievance arbitrations. You will be assisted from start to finish and can rest assure your legal rights will be upheld during the entire process.

A leader will always continue to seek new and improved methods of service delivery. This is why all full dues paying members are enrolled in the MPPOA legal defense fund. With a team of thirteen of the Twin Cities best criminal defense lawyers you will be covered 24/7 when confronted with a critical incident. This group is experienced and focuses in only one area of the law, unlike most others whose work experience is that of a general practitioner and pales in comparison. Will any other LDF be there when you need them? The answer is no. I have heard many horror stories of phone calls going unanswered for hours and even days after a critical incident. The seriousness of this lack of service is telling. Experience, dedication and commitment are paramount in this industry, and will not be overlooked. Do not trust your career to upstart organizations whose lack of experience cannot be stressed enough .

For thirty-four years LELS has been providing collective bargaining and legal representation to law enforcement personnel throughout the great State of Minnesota. During this time thousands of your colleagues have opted to join for the security and commitment we bring. The time and effort you have vested in your career should not be taken for granted, and much too valuable to leave in the hands of amateurs. LELS has always been, and will continue to be the LEADER.