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May 20, 1993

Mr. Patricia Larson
Riverside County Board of Supervisors
County Administrative Center
4080 Lemon Street, 14th Floor
Riverside, CA 92501-3656

Dear Supervisor Larson:

We are proud to announce that the Inland Empire has the first newly approved CLEARs (California Law Enforcement Association of Records Supervisor) Chapter in 10 years. This 20-year old organization provides valuable and inexpensive training and legislative updates regarding records management.

With the implementation of this new chapter we will be better able to serve the specific needs of our two Counties, offer more convenient meeting places and keep our dollars within the Inland Empire.

Our first "Kick Off" meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 2nd, at 11:00 a.m. at the Castaways Restaurant, 670 North Kendall Drive in San Bernardino. We anticipate that our speakers will be the District Attorneys' from both counties. We have also invited representatives from the various legislative offices to attend as our guests. The Sheriffs and Chiefs of Police have also been invited to share this day with us.

We would be honored if you could find the time in your busy schedule to attend this kick off meeting **as our guest**. A flyer is attached which was originally sent when we were unaware that this was the first day of the California legislative session. However, it does provide details, including RSVP information.

We look forward to seeing you.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Faith Dunne".

Faith Dunne
Records Manager
Riverside Sheriff
CLEARs-President Elect



CALIFORNIA LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSOCIATION OF RECORDS SUPERVISORS, INC.

INLAND CHAPTER

March 12, 1993

Acting Chief Joe Murillo
Coachella Police Department
1515 6th Street
Coachella, CA 92236

Dear Chief Murillo:

The California Law Enforcement Association of Records Supervisors (CLEARs), Inland Chapter, would like to invite you to attend our "kick off" meeting on Wednesday, June 2, 1993, at the Castaways Restaurant, 670 North Kendall Drive, San Bernardino. The directions to the Castaways are on the enclosed flyer.

Because Riverside and San Bernardino Counties have unique and mutual needs, our State Executive Board approved the formation of a chapter in this area. We have chosen the name "Inland" Chapter and our first meeting will be on June 2.

You may know CLEARs IS A 20-year-old law enforcement support group. Our Association has over 500 members representing law enforcement agencies throughout California. I have included a brochure with information about our goals and objectives.

We have invited Senators Robert Presley, Dave Kelley, Bill Leonard and Ruben Ayala to attend. We have also invited San Bernardino County Sheriff Dick Williams and Riverside County Sheriff Cois Byrd, in addition to Chief of Police of cities within the two counties.

Should you have any questions, I may be reached at telephone (909) 275-2451. Correspondence may be directed to me at: Riverside County Sheriff's Department, Information Services Bureau, P. O. Box 512, Riverside, CA 92502.

We hope to see you on June 2.

Cordially,

CLEARs, INC.

Faith D. Dunne
Inland Chapter President-Elect

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California Highway Patrol Officer Tami Sherman is shown investigating an accident in Palm Desert, CA, while paramedics and firefighters treat the injured driver of a Nissan Maxima. He was passing traffic on the right and driving at an unsafe speed when his car jumped the curb, hit a telephone pole, a parked car, and a service station sign.

EDITOR'S VISTA

by Pat Reed, Inglewood Pt
and Fern Ruiz, El Segundo Pt

Probably the most exciting topic in CLEARs today is the expansion of the organization. There has been much thought and a lot of talk about it in the past two years. A group of agencies from the Southern Chapter have begun work on forming a new chapter. Faith Dunne, the elected chair of the formation committee has provided a brief report on the progress made by these agencies. Faith has been very active in the CLEARs organization from the moment she joined.

Southern Chapter will miss her involvement with the chapter, but the entire organization will benefit from the infusion of new ideas and enthusiasm which will be generated by the formation of the new chapter.

When speaking of pride and enthusiasm for CLEARs, no one is a greater champion than Jim Carmickle. His commentary, "Maximizing C.L.E.A.R.S. Training", is comprehensive. Jim's suggestions can be used as a guideline for getting the most from any training.

Walter Bock and Michael A. Meyers wrote, "Law Enforcement in the Year 2000". First published in the California Police Officer in 1989, this article chronicles the need to change the way Police departments do business in the 1990's. We hope this reprint provides some ideas for operating more efficiently or for tapping other resources to help get the job done. Of course volunteers always spring to mind as a way of augmenting a work force. Captain George Troxell of South Gate Police Department identifies some areas which profit greatly volunteers in his article "Volunteers, Meeting the Needs of the 90's".

While National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) may not be available in California for awhile, most software vendors are writing new Records Management Systems to include all of the data fields required by NIBRS. Victoria Major of the FBI, Criminal Justice Information Services Division in Washington D.C.,

reviews the advantages to Law Enforcement of using this reporting system.

Those of you who have been recently promoted from the ranks of star performers to supervision or management, will want to pay particular attention to "Why Won't They Do What I Ask?". Linda Hill describes how many new supervisors and managers gained experience and confi-

dence by trial and error as well as through formal and informal feedback from their subordinates.

For those of you following our series of articles on Department of Justice, DOJ Overview, because of ongoing change taking place at DOJ, we are waiting until things are more settled. We hope that is in the near future.

SAN BERNARDINO AND RIVERSIDE COUNTY AGENCIES ESTABLISH CHAPTER FORMATION COMMITTEE

by Faith Dunne, Riverside Sheriff's Department

Law Enforcement and other criminal justice agencies in the two largest and fastest growing counties in the state of California, San Bernardino and Riverside counties, established a formation committee to study the interest and feasibility of establishing a seventh CLEARs chapter. By the way, as a matter of interest, San Bernardino County is the largest county in the United States.

Riverside County covers more than 7,310 square miles and San Bernardino County 20,146 square miles. Due to the fact that agencies currently have to spend hours traveling to and from meetings in other areas, a choice had to be made by these Inland Empire agencies to either quit the CLEARs organization, limit the number of members who would be allowed to attend meetings, since this often meant that an agency would have no supervisory staffing for an entire day, or establish a new chapter.

During the June meeting of the State Executive Board, areas wishing to establish new chapters were given the green light to study interest within their counties and determine whether the chapters could be self-sustaining.

In August a survey was sent to approximately 86 individuals in 49 agencies comprised of police departments, sheriff's departments, criminal divisions of the District Attorney's offices, and other criminal justice agencies in the two-county area. Thirty-

four agencies responded with 45 individuals stating that they would like to have a Inland Empire Chapter. Of the 45 people expressing an interest, 22 committed themselves to serving on the Formation Committee, with 19 stating that they would like to serve on the Board of Directors when the chapter becomes a reality. With such an enthusiastic response, it appears that the dream will have no problem becoming reality.

The first formation committee meeting was held in October at Fontana Police Department and was hosted by LYNN SCOTT. Seventeen people showed up for the first meeting. The second meeting was hosted by the Riverside County District Attorney's office with approximately 18 people in attendance, some of those people were from agencies that had not attended the October meetings.

During the October meeting, Faith Dunne of the Riverside Sheriff's Department was elected chairperson of the formation committee and Virginia McMullin of the Palm Desert Station was selected as secretary. Faith Dunne was also invited to attend the February State Executive Board meeting at which time she will give an update on what is going on in the two-county area.

Since the early meetings are heavily involved in discussing by-laws, no meeting will be held until January 1993.