

March 10th, 2015

Delegate Jim LeMunyon P.O. Box 220962 Chantilly, Virginia 20153

Ref: HB 1718 – Independent Contracted Private Investigators

Dear Delegate LeMunyon:

On behalf of the Board of Directors and members of the Private Investigators Association of Virginia, Inc. throughout the Commonwealth, I am writing to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for not only your personal efforts, but those of your Legislative Assistant Marti Meersman, which led to passage of House Bill 1718 during the 2015 Session of the Virginia General Assembly. With passage of the bill you introduced, private security businesses in Virginia, many of which are small business entities, will now be able to engage the services of private investigative personnel as "independent contractors," when they have met the standard of registration established by Virginia's Department of Criminal Justice Services for public safety and security.

We were truly heartened by your willingness to listen to the needs of our industry, especially our small business practitioners, and your sensitivity to the value of a collaborative approach when devising effective means to regulate our industry's business practices.

Sincerely,

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