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TO: ALL FUGITIVE RECOVERY AGENTS AND/OR BOUNTY HUNTERS

The New Jersey State Police, Private Detective Unit, is accepting applications to become Bounty Hunters as required by the Bounty Hunter Licensing Act. Only electronic applications and electronic payments will be accepted. Applicants must be at least 25 years of age to apply.

A person seeking to become licensed as a Bounty Hunter shall submit an application to the Superintendent along with a \$300.00 non-refundable application fee. This application fee is not a guarantee of licensing, but an application fee to cover the cost of the background investigation. Applicants are required to submit fingerprints and a written consent for a criminal history background check to the Superintendent.

Applicants for Bounty Hunter licensing shall bear the cost for the criminal history background check, including all costs of administering and processing the check, as required by *N.J.A.C. 13:55B-2.3(d)*.

Additional information and instructions will be made available as the Bounty Hunter e-licensing program progresses. At this time, the "Bounty Hunter Agency" component has not been completed and tested. When this component is available, it will be announced in the Bounty Hunter Updates section. Only licensed Bounty Hunters will be able to create Bounty Hunter Agencies and register employees.

Applicants that do not possess the requisite experience listed in N.J.S. 45:19-31 must meet the requirements enumerated in N.J.S. 45:19-41 if they wish to attend the Bounty Hunter training course. A comprehensive background investigation and full review of all work experience will be conducted. Potential applicants are urged to read the Bounty Hunter Licensing Act and Bounty Hunter Rules and Regulations prior to submitting their application. All application fees are non-



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refundable.

Applicants can access the Private Detective Unit Homepage at, <http://njsp.org/about/private-detective.html> for a posting of Bounty Hunter legislation, applicable Administrative Codes, updates, changes, instructions, and frequently asked questions. The application link is located in the "Bounty Hunter" section. You may also contact the Private Detective Unit, at (609) 341-3426.

Thank you for your cooperation.

FOR COLONEL JOSEPH R. FUENTES
SUPERINTENDENT

Sincerely,



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