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Subject: POST Appoints a New Assistant Executive Director

Bob Stresak has been appointed as Assistant Executive Director of the Standards and Development Division. He brings 42 years of California law enforcement to the position of Assistant Executive Director. He served with the Los Angeles Police Department for 27 years. After retiring in 1997 he was appointed by Governor Wilson to serve as Assistant Director for the California Youth Authority (CYA) and charged with establishing operational policy for professional performance and internal investigations for fourteen statewide CYA institutions and camps and, later conducted administrative investigations for the Office of Inspector General.

Bob joined POST in 1999 and assumed responsibility for the management of the Robert Presley Institute of Criminal Investigation. In 2001, he became the Basic Course Coordinator for the statewide network of POST certified academies and was assigned to be the project manager to weave stronger themes of leadership, ethics, and community policing throughout the entire basic course curriculum, a project that would require 4 years of careful coordination with academy leadership and would result in the conceptual design of today's Instructor Development Institute.

In 2006, he became POST's liaison to the California State Legislature representing law enforcement's voice regarding statewide training standards to legislative entities, CSSA, Cal Chiefs, PORAC, CPOA and other public safety interests. In an effort to secure future law enforcement recruitment potential he was responsible for the proposal to the Department of Education regarding the concept of standardization of criminal justice programs in the public school system. He also initiated legislative amendments improving peace officer background investigations.

In 2009, he assumed responsibilities as Bureau Chief of POST's Standards and Evaluations. As Bureau Chief he was responsible for initiating efforts to improve the security of POST's test administration among basic course presenters and a major investigation into testing standards.

Bob holds a Bachelors' Degree from California State University, Los Angeles. He resides in the Sacramento area with his wife Sandra. He has 3 adult children and 2 grandchildren.

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