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**Sent:** Wednesday, May 15, 2019 9:30 AM

To: !Sheriffs

Cc: !Sheriffs Assistants; !Chief Deputies; !Jail Administrators

**Subject:** RE: Ice Detainers and WSO

## Sheriffs,

Thank you for responding to the request for the ICE Warrant Service Officer Program. We now have 47 jails wanting to participate in the program (46 jails operated by sheriffs and 1 county run jail – Okaloosa).

The following list will be sent to ICE later today and they will work with FSA staff over the next few weeks to identify local training sites for this one-day training.

I will send out another email in the next few weeks with dates, times and locations for the WSO training. I will also send you forms that will need to be completed before your correctional staff can attend this training.

If you have any questions or concerns please call me any time. Thank you.

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Subject: RE: Ice Detainers and WSO

Sheriffs,

Thank you for responding to last week's email. To date, FSA has received 30 responses from sheriffs who operate their local jail that they would like to proceed with the ICE Warrant Service Officer Program. I will be forwarding this list to ICE Wednesday morning and ICE will be working to set-up regional training sites very soon.

If your office is not listed, and you would like to be included, please email me by the end of the day tomorrow. Thank you.

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**Sent:** Tuesday, May 7, 2019 10:21 AM **To:** !Sheriffs <<u>sheriffs@flsheriffs.org</u>>

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<jailadmins@flsheriffs.org>; !Legislative Committee <legislativecommittee@flsheriffs.org>

Subject: Ice Detainers and WSO

Sheriffs,

Please review the following email from Sheriff Bob Gualtieri. I have also attached a copy of SB 168 for your review.

http://www.fox13news.com/news/local-news/ice-program-trains-local-law-enforcement-to-serve-federal-warrants

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**From:** Gualtieri,Robert < <a href="mailto:rgualtieri@pcsonet.com">rgualtieri@pcsonet.com</a>>

Sent: Tuesday, May 7, 2019 9:28 AM

To: Matt Dunagan < mdunagan@flsheriffs.org >

Subject: Ice Detainers and WSO

Sheriffs,

As you all know we have been working with ICE for the last several years to achieve a lawful and workable solution to the immigration detainer issue. In January of 2018 we successfully launched the BOA program and it provided sheriffs an avenue through which to lawfully honor the ICE detainers. This solution has worked very well; there are 34 Florida sheriff's offices currently participating in the BOA process.

We have continually looked for additional and/or better solution because it is obvious that Congress will not solve this problem. After much work with ICE we announced yesterday the Warrant Service Officer (WSO) program. This is a derivative of the full 287(g) program but much simpler, easier to implement and narrowly focused on serving the ICE warrants.

There are 5 Florida sheriffs (Collier, Clay, Duval, Pasco and Hernando) who are "full" 287(g). That means certain jail deputies who have passed the extensive training at the ICE training center in South Carolina have full immigration authority (in the jail) and can make probable cause arrests, serve warrants etc... It is onerous to send people to the training and ICE has

limited capacity to do the training—deputies in all Florida sheriff's offices cannot be trained in the full 287(g) program.

The issue we need to solve is the ability to serve the I-200 and the I-205, which are the ICE arrest warrants. Under the current BOA process, ICE serves its own warrants and then books the inmate into your jail under the BOA using an I-203. While this works and is lawful, if our deputies can actually serve the ICE warrants, which current law does not allow, it means one more "lawful layer" to protect sheriffs from liability.

Under the WSO, jail deputies will be able to serve the warrants because they will be 287(g) deputized for the limited and sole purpose of serving the warrants. Unlike the full 287(g) where the training is in South Carolina and lasts about one month, the WSO training will be done at your agency or regionally here in Florida and lasts 4 hours. Once your deputies are WSO certified they will be able to serve the I-200 and I-205 so that you can honor the detainer (I-247A) and keep the criminal illegal in custody so that ICE can pick them up.

The WSO will be offered to all Florida sheriffs who operate jails and want to participate (if you do not operate a jail this is all inapplicable). All that is necessary to implement the WSO is for you to sign a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) that ICE will provide to you, for ICE to do the required "background checks" on the deputies it will be certifying, and to then arrange the one day training.

If you want to participate in the new WSO program let Matt Dunagan know as soon as possible and once we have a list compiled he will forward it to the ICE Miami Field Director who will contact you to sign the agreement and make the necessary arrangements.

Further, as you know the legislature passed SB168—the "sanctuary city" bill. It is expected that the Governor will sign the bill into law and it takes effect on July 1<sup>st</sup>. The bill requires that all county jails honor the ICE detainers and ICE issued arrest warrants. It will no longer be permissible to only honor "judicial warrants." There are currently three options to comply with SB168 and the WSO will be the fourth option. By implementing the WSO program before SB168 becomes law on July 1<sup>st</sup> you will have the most flexibility in deciding how to ensure compliance with honoring the ICE arrest warrant (I-200 and I-205). If you are not familiar with SB 168 I encourage you to read it as there are obligations for all sheriffs and other law enforcement agencies in the bill and there are enforcement provisions by the Governor and Attorney General for non-compliance.

If you have questions, let me know and I am glad to discuss.

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