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Registration Open!

The 2021 Annual Conference, will be held **November 15-17** in Montgomery, Alabama at the Renaissance Montgomery Hotel & Spa at the Convention Center, in collaboration with the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) State Bureau of Investigation. Conference registration and hotel accommodations are now open!

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NLLEA Awards

The **NLLEA Awards** recognize leaders and outstanding programs in the field of alcohol law enforcement. Annual awards are given in the following four categories: **Alcohol Law Enforcement Agency of the Year, Alcohol Law Enforcement Agent of the Year, Innovative Alcohol Law Enforcement Program of the Year, and the John W. Britt Community Service Award.** For more information on each award, visit the awards page at nllea.org. **You may self-nominate or you may nominate someone in your agency or another agency.** Please fill out the form below for the appropriate category in which you wish to nominate yourself, your agency, another agent, or another agency. The deadline for receiving nominations is **August 31, 2021**. Please email this document along with any

supporting documentation to carrie.christofes@nllea.org

[Link to Awards Nomination Form](#)



Get more involved in the NLLEA!!

The Board is accepting self-nominations for the **Sergeant-at-Arms** position, and will be holding elections at the annual board meeting at the conference in

Montgomery, Alabama **Nov. 15-17**. The NLLEA's Sergeant-at-Arms participates in NLLEA Board meetings, reviews workshop abstracts submitted for the Annual Conference, reviews nominations for the annual NLLEA Law Enforcement Awards and helps with NLLEA publications. The Sergeant-at-Arms position is a first-year position on the Board. In the subsequent four years, the Sergeant-at-Arms will serve as Secretary/Treasurer, Vice President, and President, before serving their final year as Immediate Past President.

If you would like to declare your candidacy for the Sergeant-At-Arms position, please submit:

A picture of yourself for the nominees' bio email.

A brief statement (no more than 500 words) detailing your background and qualifications, why you would like to hold this office, and your vision for the future for the NLLEA.

Candidates for the Sergeant-at-Arms position should submit their information to carrie.christofes@nllea.org by **August 31, 2021**.

OLCC Changes Name, Agency Stays Focused on Same Mission Now known as Oregon Liquor & Cannabis Commission

August 2nd, 2021, the OLCC became the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission, dropping the word "Control" that had defined the agency's original post-Prohibition mission. Previously referred to as the Oregon Liquor Control Commission, the agency began regulating recreational marijuana after voters approved Measure 91 in November, 2014. This change comes five years after voters passed Measure 91 which directed the agency to establish a framework for regulating Oregon's recreational marijuana marketplace. While the change updates the agency's name to better reflect its mission, the OLCC acronym will remain the same. "The industries we regulate matter, they matter a lot to the state of Oregon's economy," said Paul Rosenbaum, Chair of the Oregon Liquor & Cannabis Commission. "The cannabis industry in Oregon has become a billion dollar business and changing our agency name reflects our role in generating revenue to fund state programs."

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TTB Seeks Competition-Related Information About American Alcohol Market

President Biden recently issued **Executive Order 14036** (E.O. 14036) to create the White House Competition Council (Council), which "shall coordinate, promote, and advance Federal Government efforts to address overconcentration, monopolization, and unfair competition in or directly affecting the American economy." 86 Fed. Reg. 36987, 36990 (July 14, 2021).

The Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Attorney General and the Chair of the FTC, not later than 120 days after the date of this order, shall submit a report to the Chair of the ... Council, assessing the current market structure and conditions of competition, including an assessment of any threats to competition and barriers to new entrants, including:

- (i) any unlawful trade practices in the beer, wine, and spirits markets, such as certain exclusionary, discriminatory, or anticompetitive distribution practices, that hinder smaller and independent businesses or new entrants from distributing their products;
- (ii) patterns of consolidation in production, distribution, or retail beer, wine, and spirits markets; and
- (iii) any unnecessary trade practice regulations of matters, such as bottle sizes, permitting, or labeling that may unnecessarily inhibit competition by increasing costs without serving any public health, informational, or tax purpose.

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Josh Taylor appointed as Chief of Police for Cherokee Indian Police Department

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed announced on Thursday, July 29 the appointment of Josh Taylor as the new Chief of Police for the Cherokee Indian Police Department (CIPD).

Taylor has a strong background in both military and law enforcement. He has actively worked in tribal and state law enforcement since 2008 and his duties have included the positions such as patrol officer, Tribal Alcohol Law Enforcement Agent, Major of Police Operations, and the Chief Tribal Alcohol Law Enforcement Agent.

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Police anxious to enforce new street racing seizure law

The road may be coming to an end for street racing, or, at least, things are slowing down. Two new bipartisan efforts signed into law by Gov. Greg Abbott will go into effect Sept. 1.

"This definitely comes down to a safety issue for the community at large," SAPD Sgt. James Smith said. Smith, a San Antonio Police officer, helps the department seize vehicles in crimes where they're considered a criminal instrument. Cars from drug cases, burglaries, human trafficking and numerous fourth-offense DWI cases fill the city impound lot. Now, for the first time, law enforcement will have the power to seize a street racer's vehicle because of **Texas House Bill 2315**. "They are very reckless out there, very dangerous out there," Smith said. "And this really will make the community safer at the end of the day." He followed HB2315 through the legislature for SAPD. Under the law, authorities can ask a judge to seize a street racer's wheels if the person is a repeat offender, if the suspect was caught under the influence of drugs or alcohol while racing, or if the offender's racing causes injury or death.

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U.S. Senate bill seeks to require anti-drunk driving vehicle tech

A \$1 trillion infrastructure bill under debate by the U.S. Senate includes a provision that directs U.S. regulators to mandate a passive technology to prevent intoxicated drivers from starting vehicles and avert more than 10,000 deaths annually. For more than 15 years, automakers and others have studied potential technological fixes to address the roughly one-third of annual U.S. traffic deaths that involved impaired drivers. The legislative push has won the backing of the advocacy group Mothers Against Drunk Driving, the auto insurance industry and some alcohol trade associations. The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) said last year in a study that alcohol-detection systems that prevent impaired driving could save upward of 9,000 lives annually. Drunk driving deaths cost the United States \$44 billion in economic costs and \$210 billion in comprehensive societal costs, according to a 2010 study. U.S. police departments arrest about 1 million people a year for alcohol-impaired driving, IIHS said. Questions remain, however, whether the technology is accurate enough for widespread use and which one would be adopted.

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TN-Party bus owner calls on industry to create regulations after man falls off vehicle in Nashville

There's a renewed debate over regulations for Nashville party busses after a 22-year-old man fell off and was run over by an entertainment vehicle last week. The man was hospitalized with serious injuries. According to Party Bus Music City, the man was doing handstands on the bus before he fell off. Now some party bus owners are calling for self-imposed regulations to prevent incidents like these from happening in the future.

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WA-Jackpot in South Bend fined for selling alcohol to minor

The Jackpot 76 Gas Station of South Bend faces \$3,200 in fines and temporary suspension of alcohol sales for allegedly selling alcohol and tobacco vape products to an underage person in a compliance check conducted by the South Bend Police Department. In February 2021, a Pacific County Drug Task Force Officer was made aware that the South Bend 76 gas station, also known as the "Jackpot," was allegedly selling alcohol to underage youth. The officer had a concerned parent reach out and inform them about an incident with their child, according to a press release from Pacific County Public Health & Human Services. As a result, South Bend's prevention team Road 2 Resiliency asked South Bend Police Department and the **Washington State Liquor Cannabis Board** to assist with a compliance check. The Liquor Cannabis Board fined the South Bend 76 Gas Station \$2,500 for selling alcohol and \$700 for the tobacco sale. Due to the young age of the minor, the total dollar amount in fines was over five times a normal first-offense amount. Additionally, the store is prohibited from selling liquor from Oct. 6-21.

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San Francisco bars to require vaccine proof, negative COVID-19 tests to drink inside

A group that represents nearly 500 bars in San Francisco said on Monday that customers will be required to show proof of vaccination or a recent COVID-19 test showing a negative result in order to drink inside. The group, the San Francisco Bar Owner Alliance, confirmed to **NBC News** that its members would be implementing the new rules starting Thursday. In its statement announcing the new move, the group said it's "obligated to protect our workers and their families and to offer safe space for customers to relax and socialize."

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The Responsible Retailing Forum (RRForum) is developing a series of Research Briefs for retailers, public health and law enforcement officials charged with achieving compliance with the age 21 alcohol sales laws in their

businesses and communities. These Research Briefs distill insights from 25 years of research on barriers to compliance and strategies for consistently high compliance at the level of store, chain and community.

To read the first in this series, *Why Do Underage Sales Occur?*, use the following link:

<https://rrforum.org/project/rb1/>

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