



Letter to the Membership,

On June 20<sup>th</sup> I presented the Colorado Police Canine Associations standards and certifications to the Colorado P.O.S.T. board. They voted unanimously to approve and recognize them as acceptable minimum standards for deployment of Police Service Dogs in the State of Colorado. This was the culmination of a long involved process where our standards and certifications had to first be presented to all the Chief of Police and County Sheriff associations in the state. These organizations all supported us unanimously. Our standards and certifications will be posted on the Colorado P.O.S.T. website with a link to our own website. We will be allowed to put the Colorado P.O.S.T. seal on the certificates. We will send a list to P.O.S.T. showing the K-9 teams and their certifications, so it can be reflected in your state file.

We can all be proud of what the Colorado Police Canine Association has become. I received strong support from some of your Chiefs and Sheriffs during my presentations. They were already familiar with the CPCA and had only positive comments on our behalf. This is due to the professional example you have exhibited to your respective departments. I think this is a big step in showing the CPCA to be a legitimate credible organization and will benefit us greatly as we go forward.

I want to thank everyone who has worked so hard to make the CPCA what it is today.

Doug Church,  
President Colorado Police Canine Association

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