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## American Jail Association Resolution Psychological Screening of Applicants

- WHEREAS,** psychological screening as part of minimum applicant standards for law enforcement and corrections positions is being required by more and more State governments and jail administrators, and
- WHEREAS,** there will be a continued rise in the prevalence of psychological screening programs for applicants for law enforcement and correctional positions as a result of Federal and State statutes, directives, court orders, and prudent jail management policy, and
- WHEREAS,** the failure to require psychological screening of applicants for law enforcement and correctional positions can result in serious consequences for jail administration and corrections personnel, inmates, related agencies, and public safety;
- THEREFORE BE  
IT RESOLVED  
THAT** the American Jail Association encourage and support efforts and activities that will require appropriate psychological screening for law enforcement and correctional employee applicants in accordance with the provisions of current Federal and State statutes, case law, and related professional standards and guidelines.

*Adopted by the American Jail Association Board of Directors on April 29, 1986.*

*Revised on May 19, 1993.*

*Re-affirmed on May 3, 2008, by the AJA Board of Directors in Sacramento, California.*