



*Walworth County Sheriff's Office  
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*Kurt Picknell, Sheriff      Kevin Williams, Undersheriff*

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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#### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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#### **ACCREDITATION ASSESSMENT TEAM INVITES PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Walworth County Sheriff – Elkhorn WI – November 14-16, 2017*

A team of assessors from the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Accreditation Group (WILEAG) will arrive on *November 14-16, 2017* to examine all aspects of the Walworth County Sheriff's Office policy and procedures, management, operation, and support services, Sheriff Kurt Picknell announced today.

Verification by the team that the Walworth County Sheriff's Office meets the Board's state-of-the-art standards is part of a voluntary process to gain accreditation - a highly prized recognition of law enforcement professional excellence, he said.

As part of the on-site assessment, agency employees and members of the community are invited to offer comments at a public information session on Wednesday November 15, 2017 at 5pm. The session will be conducted in the *Government Center, room 214* located in downtown Elkhorn at 100 West Walworth (former courthouse building).

If for some reason an individual cannot speak at the public information session but would still like to provide comments to the assessment team, he/she may do so by telephone. The public may call 262-741-4413 on Wednesday, November 15, 2017 between the hours of 2pm and 4pm.

Telephone comments as well as appearances at the public information session are limited to 10 minutes and must address the agency's ability to comply with WILEAG's standards. A copy of

the standards is available at the Walworth County Sheriff's Office or it can be emailed: [smcclory@co.walworth.wi.us](mailto:smcclory@co.walworth.wi.us).

The Department contact for further information is Captain Scott McClory, 1770 Hwy NN Elkhorn, WI 53121, phone 262-741-4481.

Persons wishing to offer written comments about Walworth County Sheriff's ability to meet the standards for accreditation are requested to write to Wisconsin Law Enforcement Accreditation Group, WILEAG at WILEAG at P.O. Box 528, Hartland, WI 53029.

The Walworth County Sheriff's Office has to comply with 256 standards in order to gain accredited status, Sheriff Kurt Picknell said.

The Accreditation Manager for Walworth County Sheriff is Captain Scott McClory. He said the assessment team is composed of law enforcement practitioners from similar agencies. The assessors will review written material, interview individuals, and visit offices and the places where compliance can be witnessed. The assessors are: *Cedarburg Police Chief Tom Frank (Team Leader)*; Lt. Jeff Meyer of Winnebago County Sheriff and Lt. Geno Neyhart of Menomonee Falls Police Department (Team Members).

Once the WILEAG Board's assessors complete their review of the agency, they report back to the full Board, which will then decide if the agency is to be granted accredited status, Capt. McClory stated.

Accreditation status is granted for three years, during which time the agency must submit annual reports attesting continued compliance with those standards under which it was initially accredited.

For more information regarding the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Accreditation Group, please write to WILEAG at P.O. Box 528, Hartland, WI 53029 or [executive.director@wileag.info](mailto:executive.director@wileag.info).