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# MISSION

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To enhance national security and public safety by providing the timely and accurate determination of an individual or entity's eligibility to possess, use or transport select biological agents and/or toxins.



# **RESTRICTORS**

## **18 USC 175b**



### **The candidate:**

- **is under indictment for a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year**
- **has been convicted in any court of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year**
- **is a fugitive from justice**
- **has been adjudicated as a mental defective or has been committed to any mental institution**
- **(i) is an alien (other than an alien lawfully permitted for permanent residence) who is a national of a country the Secretary of State has determined to be a supporter of acts of international terrorism (ii) acts for or on behalf of, or operates subject to the direction or control of, a government or official of a country described in this subparagraph**
- **has been discharged from the US armed forces under dishonorable conditions**
- **Is a member of, acts for or on behalf of, or operates subject to the direction or control of, a terrorist organization as defined in the Immigration and Nationality Act**



# RESTRICTORS

## 18 USC 175b



### **The candidate:**

- **is an unlawful user of any controlled substance**

*The use of any controlled substance (including marijuana) is illegal at the Federal level even though it may be legalized in your state.*

- **is an alien illegally or unlawfully in the United States**

*The filing of an application or extension does not convey or change the status of the individual. Submission of an application does not connote that the alien's immigration status has changed, as the very real possibility exists that ICE will deny the alien's application altogether*



# **RESTRICTORS**

## **Title 42 U.S.C.**

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**The individual is reasonably suspected by any Federal law enforcement or intelligence agency of:**

- **committing a federal crime of terrorism**
- **Having knowing involvement with an organization that engages in domestic or international terrorism or any organization that engages in intentional crimes of violence**
- **Being an agent of a foreign power**



# STATISTICS

- **Individuals (active):**
  - APHIS: 1,708
  - CDC: 7,538
  - Restricted: 406
  - APHIS: 49
  - CDC: 357
- **Entities (active): 263**
- **Total SRAs completed: 70,269**





# RESTRICTED BY CATEGORY



Since program inception

- Adjudicated mental: 9
  - Agent of a Foreign Power: 2
  - Alien of State Terrorism Sponsor: 8
  - Controlled Substance: 39
  - Dishonorable Discharge: 2
  - Federal crime of terrorism: 0
  - Criminal conviction: 254
  - Fugitive from justice: 23
  - Illegal/unlawful alien: 41
  - Intentional crimes of terrorism: 0
  - Under indictment: 44
- Total: 422



# QUESTIONS?



# APPEAL PROCESS

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- **BRAG SENDS RESTRICTED RECOMMENDATION TO SPONSOR**
- **SPONSOR SENDS RESTRICTED LETTER TO APPLICANT WITH APPEAL INSTRUCTIONS**
- **APPLICANT PROVIDES WRITTEN STATEMENT (PERTAINING TO THE REASON WHY THEY WERE RESTRICTED FROM ACCESS) ALONG WITH ANY DOCUMENTATION TO RO/ARO WHO SUBMITS APPEAL TO SPONSOR**
- **SPONSOR SENDS APPEAL TO BRAG**
- **BRAG REVIEWS APPEAL ALONG WITH ANY NEW DOCUMENTATION**
- **BRAG SENDS APPEAL DECISION TO SPONSOR**



# APPEALS



## Since program inception:

- **Appeals Received: 122**
  - **Overtured: 48 (39%)**
  - **Sustained: 74 (61%)**



# QUESTIONS?



# LEO EMAIL ACCOUNTS

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## **What is LEO ?**

*LEO is “Law Enforcement Online” email. It is a secure email system developed by the FBI housed in the “Law Enforcement Enterprise portal” or LEEP. It is a web-based email so the only software you need is a web browser. It is managed by FBI/CJIS and has its own rules of behavior. For more information see [www.cjis.gov](http://www.cjis.gov).*

## **What are the advantages to using LEO vs. other email?**

*LEO will upload directly to CJIS, eliminating any email configuration issues (ie, sending the email to spam). You are using the CJIS email server, so you can check your sent folder to ensure it was delivered. You can also select delivery confirmation so you know CJIS received the email.*

## **I’m having trouble with my LEO account- who do I call?**

*The LEEP helpdesk, the phone number can be found a [www.cjis.gov](http://www.cjis.gov)*

## **How do I apply for a LEEP account?**

*To apply for a LEEP/LEO account go to [www.cjis.gov](http://www.cjis.gov) and complete the online application. You will need a sponsor in order for the account to be approved.*



# eFSAP



- **BRAG received access to eFSAP in May 2019**
- **BRAG is updating eFSAP daily with SRA Received Dates and SRA Expiration Dates**
- **RO/ARO's are encouraged to check eFSAP for SRA results**



# **SECURITY RISK ASSESSMENT FORMS**

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**FD-961 forms can be found at [fbi.gov](http://fbi.gov)  
(search FD-961)**

**The Instructions do not need to be mailed with the  
form when submitting the SRA**

**Fingerprint card packets – can be obtained by  
faxing 304-625-3984 or can be printed out from  
[fbi.gov](http://fbi.gov) (search FD-258)**

**Mail all completed forms, questions and updated  
forms to [fd961@leo.gov](mailto:fd961@leo.gov)**





# QUESTIONS?



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