

DEFENSE CONSULTING SERVICES



MARCH 2019 - NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

FROM YOU

Do you have a story about **LEOSA** that you'd like to share? Would you like to be **featured in our Patriot's Point?** Know someone we should highlight? We would love to share your testimonials or video submissions in our Monthly Blotter and on our Facebook and Twitter!

If you're interested in sharing your experiences and being featured, please send your submissions

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our LEOSA team has begun preparing for upcoming card renewals! **We will begin accepting Service Requests for renewals on MAY 1ST!** Card holders can begin applying for renewal up to **SIX MONTHS** before their expiration date with our new Early Bird renewal program and discounted pricing! **Early Bird pricing will be applied to renewals submitted 4-6 months before the expiration date. Applications received within 3 months and up to the expiration date will require the full renewal price.** Renewals will require updated personal information, a new passport-style photo, Endorsement letter for 926B cards, and new FBI Identity History Summary for Air Force 926C card holders.

NOTE: The issuance/expiration date of renewed cards will be **the same as the initial card** unless the application is received AFTER the initial issuance date.

If you have any questions regarding renewals, the Early Bird program or requirements, please contact our office and we'd be more than happy to assist!

**Early Bird Renewal -
\$100**

**Full Price Renewal -
\$125**

FROM OPMG



The Army Military Police Family Congratulates **Brigadier General Kevin Vereen** and announces his selection as the next Provost Marshal General of the U.S. Army and Commanding General, U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command.

BG Vereen is currently the Deputy Commanding General, United States

Army Recruiting Command, Fort Knox, Kentucky. Prior to his current assignment, BG Vereen served as Commandant, United States Army Military Police School. At a date not yet determined, BG Vereen will serve as the 17th Provost Marshal General and the 14th Commander of CID.

OPPORTUNITIES

Defense Consulting Services has full-time and part-time flexible schedule openings for Guard I positions for HARPS at Wilford Hall in San Antonio, TX. DCS is currently working on a long-term project and is offering highly-qualified candidates a place to cultivate their knowledge, build upon their experience, and use their expertise to make a real difference. This is a Service Contract Act (SCA) contract, so even part-time employees are eligible for pro-rated Holiday and Vacation pay. Base compensation is \$13 per hour plus an additional \$4.18 an hour for benefit costs and/or into a 401k. Job requirements are available upon request.

Please send resumes to Donna Beck at donna.beck@defenseconsultingservice.com

PATRIOT'S POINT



Technical Sergeant Leonard J. Pritchett is an Action Officer, Air Force Security Forces Center, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. Sergeant Pritchett serves as career field Unit Type Code development manager for 76 SF standardized deployable capability packages and is the principal advisor to all MAJCOM A4S & AFIMSC/Detachment staffs on personnel and equipment to

support war planning/execution. Sergeant Pritchett is additionally responsible to forms teams to develop programming plans and messages and fields material solutions for validated capability gaps.

Sergeant Pritchett was born in Ft. Stewart, GA. He graduated from J.M. Tate High School in Pensacola, Florida in 2003 and entered the Air Force as a Security Forces member in September 2004. He has an extensive background in all facets of Integrated Defense, serving during numerous contingency deployments in support of Operations ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM.

CONTRACT UPDATES

Air Force LEOSA

Since November 2014, 5128 cards have been approved and mailed out!

The phone number provided by AFSFC to validate USAF LEOSA cards is **(877) 273 3098.**

This number is for **LAW ENFORCEMENT USE ONLY.**

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Army LEOSA

Since March 2016, Army Lists 1-28 have been completed and mailed out (2529 cards).

List 29 is with OPMG awaiting final approval and signature.

Batch 49 is currently being assembled at our San Antonio office.

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Navy LEOSA

Since February 2018, Lists 1-7 have been completed and mailed out (383 cards).

List 8 is at our San Antonio office for printing.

List 9 is being compiled and will be sent to the Navy PM once initial reviews are completed.

ALL Navy applicants must include the SECNAV 5580/1 (available [HERE](#)) with the DCS application. A sample Commanding Officer Letter of Verification (**NOT** page 3 of the 5580/1) is also located at this link.

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"LEOSA & YOU- WHY YOU NEED INSURANCE" BY DAN PHILLIPS

We sometimes hear of civilians who are arrested (and often prosecuted) for what appears to be a legitimate claim of self-defense with a firearm. If you carry and many retired cops do, having insurance is a must.

While most officers go through an entire career without having to fire their weapon outside the range, those who have been in an officer-involved shooting know the trauma of the aftermath. Interviews with IAD/FID, desk duty, or administrative leave, and the ensuing stress and depression can cause you to second guess your actions. Fortunately, legal defense and your guild or union is there to support you emotionally, administratively and financially. However, as a retiree, your actions are your own. There are no "policy" guidelines. The only thing you can fall back on is defense of yourself or immediate defense of the lives of others rising from a disparity of force situation. You only have this as an affirmative defense of your actions. There is no one coming to your aid, unless you have insurance.

If you were to find yourself in a situation in which you had to fire your weapon, you can expect to be detained and perhaps arrested pending investigation. At this point the embarrassment of riding in the back of a patrol car is the least of your worries. You're no longer the representative of your department or agency. You must prepare for a legal battle, maybe criminal, maybe civil, probably both. Unless you are independently wealthy, you're going to need an attorney. Attorneys are not cheap. If you aren't prepared, your savings, your pension, your house, your LEOSA status and your freedom are all at risk of loss. Just as you wouldn't operate a motor vehicle without liability insurance, you don't want to carry a firearm without insurance either.

Fortunately, there are organizations that provide inexpensive LEOSA/HR218 coverage. I'm not endorsing or advocating any particular group. Most have affordable policies with a varying range of coverage and limits. Some offer policies where you use an in-house or plan attorney, while others let you select out-of-network attorneys (sometimes at lesser coverage limits). Some reimburse you after the fact, and some provide immediate coverage and assistance. The choice is up to you, so be sure to shop around.

Sample basic LEOSA coverage policies

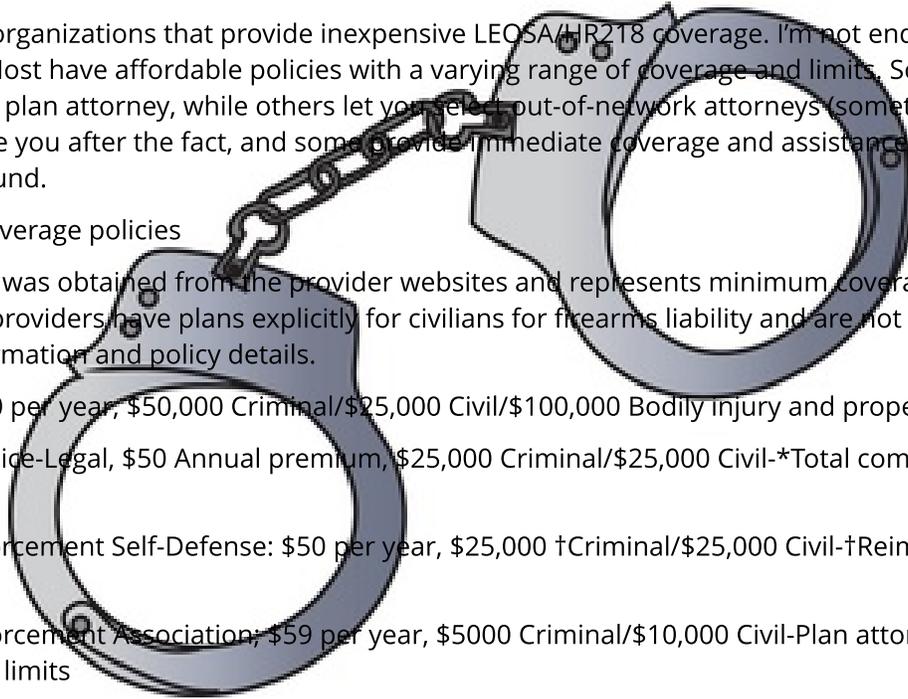
The information below was obtained from the provider websites and represents minimum coverage plans. This is not an all-inclusive list; other providers have plans explicitly for civilians for firearms liability and are not listed here. Contact the provider for more information and policy details.

- FEDS Protection: \$300 per year, \$50,000 Criminal/\$25,000 Civil/\$100,000 Bodily injury and property damage
- Fraternal Order of Police-Legal, \$50 Annual premium, \$25,000 Criminal/\$25,000 Civil-*Total combined-plan attorney or attorney of choice
- NRA-Retired Law Enforcement Self-Defense: \$50 per year, \$25,000 †Criminal/\$25,000 Civil-†Reimbursable, when acquitted of charges
- Professional Law Enforcement Association; \$59 per year, \$5000 Criminal/\$10,000 Civil-Plan attorney and non-plan attorney with coverage limits
- USCCA: *\$132 per year, \$50,000Criminal/\$250,000 civil occurrence/\$300,00 total, includes bond and daily loss of earnings up to \$250 (*Discounted for LEOs only).

If you choose to find an attorney on your own, select someone you know, or find an attorney experienced in self-defense cases. While you're at it, do you have insurance to cover the loss of your firearm if lost or stolen? When you do get your policy, keep it current. Carry the policy card in your wallet with the attorney's phone number and your credentials. Make sure your spouse/family have your insurance and attorney information, and know who to call if something happens. While having insurance may not relieve all the stress associated with such an event, it may give you and your family the peace of mind that you will have legal resources at your disposal.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Dan Phillips retired as a military criminal investigator after 23 years of service, joined the federal service right after 9/11 and served 16 years working in the security and counterintelligence fields. Today he works for a major defense contractor. Dan serves as the LEOSA program Chair for the Washington state Fraternal Order of Police.



DCS RECOGNIZES



February Employee of the Month: Rodney Gauthier

Rodney serves as the Junior SUAS Evaluator at Ft. Bliss. He is consistently developing himself, the SUAS program and trying to expand DCS influence. He created several inventory systems for rapid issue and accountability of equipment to students and CADRE. He has served as the keystone for revising the flight scenarios to reflect real-world missions and diversify mission experience. Rodney is also in early planning stages with Law Enforcement, Government Agencies and Military units in order to expand DCS influence.

Congrats Rodney! Keep the focus on the mission and let the Values continue to guide your actions!

FROM THE FIELD

General who enlisted in Air Force at 17 is honored at Joint Base San Antonio - Lackland
By: Sig Christenson - Full Article [HERE](#)



Richard Coleman was the commander no one saw coming.

"He quit the 10th grade and joined the Air Force in 1956 with a friend, learning his trade from senior NCOs who had fought in World War II and Korea. Coleman served in Vietnam and later earned a college degree and became an officer. Now 79, Coleman was saluted Monday afternoon at the Security Forces Museum at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, where friends and family celebrated an unveiling of his portrait, to take its place along with other airmen in the building's Hall of Honor. When he retired in 2000, he was one of only nine enlistees who had ever risen to general, closing out a career that ran 43 years, four months and two days — at the time, the longest in Air Force history. But neither distinction was his most vital legacy. Talk with those who know, and they'll tell you that Coleman imprinted his character and ethos into the Air Force's Security Forces field."

