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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Francine C. Ecker, Director  
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**FROM:** Charles A. Quagliato  
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**DATE:** September 22, 2016

**SUBJECT:** Regulations Relating to Crime Prevention Specialists – 6 VAC 20-180-10 *et seq.*

In response to a request from the Department of Criminal Justice Services, I have reviewed the proposed regulations, 6 VAC 20-180-10 *et seq.*, relating to crime prevention specialists. Virginia Code § 9.1-161 authorizes the Criminal Justice Services Board to establish minimum standards for certification of crime prevention specialists and Virginia Code § 9.1-102(1) authorizes the Department to adopt regulations, pursuant to the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 *et seq.*), for the administration of this chapter. Upon review of the aforesaid regulations, I find the proposed regulations to be constitutional, consistent with the statutory authority granted by Virginia Code §§ 9.1-102(1) and 9.1-161 of the Code of Virginia, and in conformity with existing statutory provisions.

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