



**PROFESSIONAL INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES**

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**EMPIRE SPECIALIZED INVESTIGATIONS**  
**STATE INVESTIGATIVE LICENSING AGENCIES LIST**

*Alabama*

There is no state licensing for private investigation agencies in the state of Alabama. You do need a state business license. <<http://www.ador.state.al.us/>>  
Check your local county/city rules. [Related State Law](#)

*Alaska*

At this time there is no P.I. Licensing requirements in Alaska. There is a Process Server Lic. Requirement through Alaska DPS. The only License a P.I. needs in Alaska is a State Business Lic. Bob Nesvick, Ketchikan, Alaska <[bnesvinv@ktn.net](mailto:bnesvinv@ktn.net)>  
[Fairbanks City Licensing Law](#)

*Arizona*

Dept. of Public Safety, Licensing, Box 6638, Phoenix AZ 85005. Phone: (602) 223-2361  
Web Site: <http://www.dps.state.az.us/>

*Arkansas*

Arkansas Department of Private Investigators and Private Security Agencies  
#1 State Police Plaza Dr. Little Rock, Arkansas 72209 Phone (501) 618-8600 Fax: (501) 618-8621  
Cpl. Wes Adams, Administrator  
Web Site: <http://www.asp.state.ar.us/pl/pl.html>  
State Law: <http://www.azleg.state.az.us/ars/32/title32.htm>

*California*

Department Of Consumer Affairs, Licensing Division, Bureau of Security and Investigative Services  
400 "R" Street, Suite 3040, Sacramento, CA 95814-6200 Phone: (800) 952-5210 &nbsp;(916) 445-1254  
Web Site: <http://www.dca.ca.gov/bsis/>  
State Law: <http://www.dca.ca.gov/bsis/piact.htm>

*Colorado*

There is no statewide control over persons who seek to operate a Detective business, nor any bonding requirements.

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**Connecticut**

Dept of Public Safety, Division of State Police, 294 Colony Street, Meriden CT 06450 Phone (860) 685-8470 Fax (860) 685-8353  
Web Site: <http://www.state.ct.us/dps/SLFU/PrivateDetectivesHome.htm>

**Delaware**

Detective Licensing, Delaware State Police, P. O. Box 430, Dover, DE 19903, (302) 736-5900.  
Web Site: <http://www.state.de.us/dsp/>

**District of Columbia**

Security Officers Mgmt Branch, Metro Police, Security Unit 2000, 14th St. NW, Washington, DC 20009. (202) 939-8722  
Website: <http://mpdc.dc.gov/main.shtm>

**Florida**

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Licensing, Box 6687, Tallahassee FL 32314  
Phone (850) 487-0482  
Web Site: <http://licgweb.doacs.state.fl.us/>  
Check Investigator License: <http://licgweb.dos.state.fl.us/access/individual.html>  
Handbook <http://licgweb.doacs.state.fl.us/investigations/index.html>  
State Law: <http://tinyurl.com/3d935>

**Georgia**

State Board of Private Detective and Security Agencies, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon GA 31217.  
Phone (478) 207-1460  
Web Site: <http://www.sos.state.ga.us/plb/detective/default.htm>

**Hawaii**

Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, DCCA-PVL ATT: PDG, P.O. Box 3469 Honolulu, HI 96801, Phone (808) 586-2701  
Email: [detective@dcca.hawaii.gov](mailto:detective@dcca.hawaii.gov)  
Website: [http://www.hawaii.gov/dcca/pvl/areas\\_private\\_detective.html](http://www.hawaii.gov/dcca/pvl/areas_private_detective.html)  
State Law: <http://www.hawaii.gov/dcca/hrs/index.html>

**Idaho**

There is no Licensing Regulatory Agency in the state of Idaho.

**Illinois**

Illinois Department of Professional Regulation, 320 West Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Springfield, IL 62786  
Phone (217)785-0800 Fax: (217)782-7645 FAX  
Website: <http://www.ildpr.com/WHO/dtct.asp>  
State Law: <http://tinyurl.com/4ls6l>

**Indiana**

Indiana Professional Licensing Agency, (Attn: Private Detectives Licensing Board), 302 W. Washington Street, Room E034  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  
Staff Phone Number: (317) 234-3040 Staff email: [pla11@pla.state.in.us](mailto:pla11@pla.state.in.us)  
Website: <http://www.in.gov/pla/bandc/detective/> State Law:  
<http://www.in.gov/legislative/ic/code/title25/ar30/>

### ***Iowa***

Administrative Services Div., Iowa Dept of Public Safety, Wallace State Office Bldg, Des Moines, IA 50319. (515) 281-3211.  
**STATE LAW:** <http://www.state.ia.us/government/dps/iowacode/cd9780a.htm>

### ***Kansas***

Bureau of Investigation, 1620 SW Tyler, Topeka KS 66612, Phone (785) 296-8200  
Email link page: <http://www.accesskansas.org/kbi/email.shtml>  
Website: <http://www.accesskansas.org/kbi/>

### ***Kentucky***

Kentucky Board of Licensure for Private Investigators, Box 1360, Frankfort KY 40601, Lisa Shelley Office (502) 564-3296 ext. 239  
Fax: (502) 564-4818 Email: [Lisa.Shelley@ky.gov](mailto:Lisa.Shelley@ky.gov)  
Website: <http://occupations.ky.gov/privateinvestigators/>  
Kentucky Private Investigative License Law: <http://24.145.211.47/kpia/legislation.htm>

### ***Louisiana***

LA State Board of Private Investigators Examiners 2051 Silverside Drive, Suite 190, Baton Rouge, LA 70808 Phone (225) 763-3556 Fax(225) 763-3536 Web site: <http://www.lsbpie.com>  
Email: [lsbpie@intersurf.com](mailto:lsbpie@intersurf.com)

### ***Maine***

Department of Public Safety, Licensing and Inspection Unit, 164 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333, Telephone: (207) 624-8775  
Website: <http://www.state.me.us/dps/>

### ***Maryland***

Maryland State Police, PI Licensing Division, 7751 Washington Boulevard, Jessup MD 20794, Phone: (410) 799-0191 or (800) 525-5555  
Website: <http://www.mdsp.maryland.gov/mdsp/default.asp>

### ***Massachusetts***

Massachusetts State Police, Special Licensing Unit, 20 Somerset St., Boston, MA 02108, Phone 617-727-6128, Fax (617) 727-6021.  
Website: <http://www.mass.gov/msp/massachu.htm> State Private Investigator Law:  
<http://www.mass.gov/legis/laws/mgl/147-22.htm>

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**Michigan**

Private Security and Investigator Unit,7150 Harris Drive, Lansing, MI 48913 Phone (517) 322-1966 Fax (517) 322-5551  
Department of Consumer & Industry Services, Licensing Division--Private Detectives, Box 30018, Lansing MI 48909  
Phone:(517) 241-5645 or (517) 373-9808  
Website: [http://www.michigan.gov/cis/0,1607,7-154-10557\\_12992\\_21297---,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/cis/0,1607,7-154-10557_12992_21297---,00.html)

**Minnesota**

Board of Private Detective & Protective Agent Services, 1430 Maryland Avenue East, St. Paul MN 55106  
Phone: (651)793-2666 Fax: (651)793-7065  
Website: <http://www.dps.state.mn.us/pdb/> Email: [mn.pdb@state.mn.us](mailto:mn.pdb@state.mn.us)  
State Private Investigator Licensing Law: <http://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/arule/7506/>

**Mississippi**

None

**Missouri**

None

**Montana**

Board of Private Security Officers & Investigators, 301 South Park, Room 430  
Box 200513, Helena MT 59620 Phone: (406) 841-2300  
Website:  
[http://www.discoveringmontana.com/dli/bsd/license/bsd\\_boards/psp\\_board/board\\_page.asp](http://www.discoveringmontana.com/dli/bsd/license/bsd_boards/psp_board/board_page.asp)

**Nebraska**

Secretary of State, Suite 2300 State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509. (402) 471-2554.  
Web Site: <http://www.sos.state.ne.us/PrivateDetectives/pd.htm>  
State Law: <http://www.sos.state.ne.us/PrivateDetectives/pdregs.htm>

**Nevada**

Private Investigator's Licensing Board, 100 N. Carson Street, Carson City, NV 89701-4717,  
Phone (775) 687-3223  
Website: <http://ag.state.nv.us/faqs/workingaspi.htm>  
State Law: <http://www.leg.state.nv.us/NAC/NAC-648.html>

**New Hampshire**

State Police, Div of Licenses and Permits, 10 Hazen Drive, Room 106, Concord NH 03305  
Phone (603) 271-3575  
Website: <http://www.nh.gov/safety/nhsp/pluda.html>

**New Jersey**

State Police, Dept of Law & Public Safety, Private Detective Unit, P. O. Box 7068, W. Trenton, NJ 08688-0068. (609) 882-2000.

Website: <http://www.state.nj.us/lps/njsp/about/srb.html#pdu>

Rules: [http://www.state.nj.us/lps/njsp/about/pdet\\_rules.html](http://www.state.nj.us/lps/njsp/about/pdet_rules.html)

***New Mexico***

Private Investigator and Polygraph Board, 2550 Cerrillos Road, P.O. Box 25101, Santa Fe, NM 87504-5101

Phone: (505)476-4650 Fax: (505) 476-464

Website: <http://www.rld.state.nm.us/b&c/pipolygraph/index.htm>

***New York***

New York State Department of State, Division of Licensing Services

84 Holland Avenue, Albany, NY 12208-3490

E-mail: [licensing@dos.state.ny.us](mailto:licensing@dos.state.ny.us) Telephone: (518) 474-4429 Fax: (518) 473-6648

Web Site: [http://appsext5.dos.state.ny.us/lcns\\_public/chk\\_load](http://appsext5.dos.state.ny.us/lcns_public/chk_load)

***North Carolina***

North Carolina Department of Justice, Private Protective Services, 1631 Midtown Place, Suite 104, Raleigh, NC 27609

Phone: (919) 716-6400

Web Site: [http://www.ncdoj.com/law\\_enforcement/cle\\_pps.jsp](http://www.ncdoj.com/law_enforcement/cle_pps.jsp)

State Private Investigator Law: <http://tinyurl.com/3jvqy>

***North Dakota***

State of North Dakota Private Investigation and Security Board, 513 Bismarck Expressway, Suite 5. Bismarck, ND 58504

Phone (701) 222-3063 Email: [ndpisb@midco.net](mailto:ndpisb@midco.net)

Website: <http://www.state.nd.us/pisb/>

Licensing Law: <http://www.state.nd.us/pisb/elig.html>

***Ohio***

The Ohio Department of Commerce, Division of Professional Licensing

77 South High Street, 20th Floor, Columbus, OH 43215-6133, (614) 466-4100, (614) 466-4130

Email: [REPLD@com.state.oh.us](mailto:REPLD@com.state.oh.us) Website: <http://www.com.state.oh.us/odoc/real/pisgmain.htm>

This website gives you state license lookups, links to laws and rules, forms and publications, contact info and anything else you need to know.

***Oklahoma***

Council on Law enforcement Education & Training, PO Box 11476, Oklahoma City, OK 73136

Phone (405) 425-2775

Website: [http://www.cleet.state.ok.us/Private\\_Security.htm](http://www.cleet.state.ok.us/Private_Security.htm) State Law:

[http://oklegal.onenet.net/oklegal-cgi/get\\_statute?98/Title.59/59-1750.1.html](http://oklegal.onenet.net/oklegal-cgi/get_statute?98/Title.59/59-1750.1.html)

***Oregon***

Board of Investigators, 445 State Office Building, 800 NE Oregon Street #33, Portland OR 97232

Phone: (503) 731-4359 Fax: (503) 731-4366 Email: [pi.board@state.or.us](mailto:pi.board@state.or.us)

Website: <http://www.obi.state.or.us/> .Laws And Rules:

<http://www.obi.state.or.us/LawsandRules/LandR.htm>

***Pennsylvania***

No state licensing--done on the county by county level.

***Puerto Rico***

Police, GPO Box 70166, San Juan, PR 00936. (809) 781-0227.

***Rhode Island***

Licensed by each city and town by state law.

***South Carolina***

South Carolina Law Enforcement Division , PO Box 21398, Columbia, SC 29221-1398 Phone (803) 896-7014 Fax (803) 896-7037

Website: <http://www.sled.state.sc.us/default.htm>

State Law: <http://www.lpittr.state.sc.us/bil95-96/507.htm>

***South Dakota***

No state license required. Some cities and towns require a license.

***Tennessee***

Private Protective Services Div., Dept of Commerce & Insurance, 500 James Robertson Pkway, Nashville, TN 37243-1158. (615) 741-6382. Fax (615) 532-2965. Email:

[donna.hancock@state.tn.us](mailto:donna.hancock@state.tn.us) Website: <http://www.state.tn.us/commerce/boards/pi/index.html>

***Texas***

Texas Commission On Private Security, 4616 Howard Lane #140,Austin, Texas 78728, Phone 512-238-5858, Fax -512-238-5853

Board of Private Investigators & Private Security Agencies, P. O. Box 13509, Capitol Station, Austin, TX 78711. (512) 463-5545.

Website: <http://hera.tcps.state.tx.us/> Law: <http://www.tcps.state.tx.us/pi.aspx>

***Utah***

Dept of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Identification, 3888 West 5400 South, Box 148280, Salt Lake City, UT 84114-8280

Phone 801-965-4445 Website: <http://www.bci.utah.gov/BailPI/PIHome.html>

State Law: [http://www.le.state.ut.us/~code/TITLE53/53\\_09.htm](http://www.le.state.ut.us/~code/TITLE53/53_09.htm)

***Vermont***

Board of Private Investigative and Armed Security Services, Office of Professional Regulation, 109 State St., Montpelier, VT 05609-1101. (802) 828-2837. Email: [pskinner@sec.state.vt.us](mailto:pskinner@sec.state.vt.us)

Website: <http://vtprofessionals.org/opr1/investigators/>

Law: <http://www.leg.state.vt.us/statutes/fullchapter.cfm?Title=26&Chapter=059>

***Virginia***

Department of Criminal Justice Services, Private Security Section, Box 10110, Richmond VA 2324 Phone (804) 786-4700 Fax (804) 786-6344

Website: <http://www.dcjs.virginia.gov/privatesecurity/index.cfm>

***Washington***

Department of Licensing , Master License Service , PO Box 9034, Olympia, WA 98507-9034

Web site: <http://www.dol.wa.gov/ppu/pifront.htm> Email: [Security@dol.wa.gov](mailto:Security@dol.wa.gov)

State law requirements: <http://www.dol.wa.gov/ppu/pireqmnt.htm>

***West Virginia***

Secretary of State,Private Investigator, Licensing Division, Secretary of State Bldg. 1, Suite 157-

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K 1900 Kanawha Blvd. East. Charleston, WV 25305-0770(304) 558-6000 Fax (304) 558-0900.

Email: [licensing@wvsos.com](mailto:licensing@wvsos.com) Website: <http://www.wvsos.com/licensing/piguard/main.htm>

*Wisconsin*

Department of Regulation and Licensing, PO Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

Phone: (608) 266-5511 Fax 608) 267-3816. Website: <http://www.drl.state.wi.us/Regulation/>

