

Pursuits and Governmental Immunity Executive Webinar

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This webinar will present critical information for police executives regarding police pursuits and pursuit immunity addressed in VC 17004.7. In California, police departments are largely immune from liability in pursuit-related accidents due to a state law passed in 1988 that provides immunity to agencies with specific pursuit policies that meet minimum standards. Lawsuits can still be filed if an officer's conduct is considered negligent or wrongful, if the agency's policy is inadequate, or if the pursuit itself was negligently initiated or not terminated. *Key factors for immunity often depend on the agency's policy and training.* Recent litigation has resulted in “nuclear verdicts” in excess of 10 million dollars. We are hosting an online event addressing this issue and immunity from these large verdicts. We anticipate the online event to last approximately one hour.

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