

Wyoming Court Security Commission Annual Report

August 31, 2012



Supreme Court of Wyoming
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002



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August 22, 2012

TO: Governor Mead
Chief Justice Marilyn Kite
Joint Judiciary Interim Committee Members
Joint Appropriations Interim Committee Members

SUBJECT: Annual Report from the Court Security Commission as required by Wyoming
Court Security Act, W.S. 5-11-101 et seq.

On behalf of the Court Security Commission we are pleased to present our Annual Report. While there has not been substantial activity for the Court Security Commission since September of 2011, the Commission continues its commitment to make recommendations which will enhance safe and secure environments for our public officials and citizens in our courthouses and courtrooms.

Within this report you will find an overview of a recent incident involving a gunshot into the Riverton Circuit Court courtroom. Members of the Court Security Commission along with members of the Wyoming Supreme Court will be meeting with the Fremont County Commissioners during the last week of August, 2012. As we move towards a solution in this matter we will keep you informed.

During the 2012 Legislative session, the Commission was successful in receiving a budget of \$100,000 which was appropriated to the Wyoming Supreme Court to be used as a contingency fund for security in high profile cases. You will find the policy and procedures within this report for local governments when requesting funds from this budget. Funds not used for security will revert to the General Fund.

In the months to come, the Commission will encourage the Local Court Security Management Committees to reevaluate their security plans as well as security needs. The next meeting of the Court Security Commission is planned for November, 2012.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "William U. Hill".

WILLIAM U. HILL
Chairman, Court Security Commission

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TITLE 5 - COURTS
CHAPTER 11
WYOMING COURT SECURITY ACT

5-11-101. Wyoming court security commission created; membership; powers and duties; compensation; report required.

(a) The Wyoming court security commission is created under the supervision of the Wyoming supreme court. The commission shall be composed of the director of the office of homeland security or his designee and nine (9) additional members who shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years commencing July 1, 2008, who may be reappointed to serve subsequent terms. The nine (9) additional members shall include:

- (i) One (1) justice of the Wyoming supreme court, appointed by the chief justice;
- (ii) One (1) district court judge, appointed by the board of judicial policy and administration;
- (iii) One (1) circuit court judge, appointed by the board of judicial policy and administration;
- (iv) One (1) county commissioner, appointed by the governor;
- (v) One (1) county sheriff, appointed by the governor;
- (vi) One (1) representative of the Wyoming peace officer's standards and training commission, appointed by the governor;
- (vii) Two (2) legislators, one (1) from each house, appointed by the speaker of the house and president of the senate respectively;
- (viii) One (1) district attorney or county attorney, appointed by the governor.

(b) Nonlegislative members of the commission shall receive no compensation, but shall be reimbursed under W.S. 9-3-102 and 9-3-103 for per diem and travel expenses incurred in the performance of their duties on the commission.

(c) The legislative members shall receive salary and reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses incurred in the performance of their duties on the commission, as provided in W.S. 28-5-101.

(d) The commission shall meet at least two (2) times per year.

(e) The commission shall:

(i) Establish standards to protect life, property and the judicial process in the Wyoming court system. In establishing the standards, the commission shall recommend proper levels of court security to each county with due consideration of each county's size, use of court facilities and security risks. The standards shall include:

(A) Requirements concerning equipment, facilities and architecture for court security purposes;

(B) Basic training requirements for peace officers authorized to act as court security officers;

(C) Basic protocol and procedures for court security; and

(D) Requirements for the establishment of local court security management committees.

(ii) Visit and inspect any court security program at any appropriate time;

(iii) Recommend to the legislature the distribution of funds to counties as may from time to time be appropriated by the legislature for the provision of court security;

(iv) Report no later than September 1, 2009, and annually thereafter to the governor, chief justice of the supreme court, joint judiciary interim committee and the joint appropriations interim committee on the status of court security in the state.

(f) The supreme court shall provide necessary administrative support for the commission.

Wyoming Court Security Commission as of 8/15/2012

Authority: W.S. 5-11-101
Number of Board Members: 10
Board Term Length: 3 years

Director of the Office of Homeland Security or his designee

Director Guy Cameron

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Justice of the Supreme Court

Justice William U. Hill (Chairperson)

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District Court Judge

Judge Jeffrey Donnell

District Judge – Second Judicial District
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Circuit Court Judge

Judge Denise Nau

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Wyoming Court Security Commission as of 8/15/2012

County Commissioner

Commissioner Mike Colling

Converse County Commissioners

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County Sheriff

Sheriff Jack “Skip” Hornecker

Fremont County Sheriff

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Representative of the Wyoming Peace Officer’s Standards and Training Commission:

Vacant

Legislator, House of Representatives

Representative Jon Botten

Wyoming House of Representatives

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Wyoming Court Security Commission as of 8/15/2012

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Wyoming Court Security Commission

Record of Proceedings

Supreme Court Building, Room 237

Cheyenne, Wyoming

August 15, 2012

I. Call to Order

The Wyoming Court Security Commission public meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., August 15, 2012, by Justice William Hill at the Supreme Court Building, Room 237, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

II. Roll Call and Introductions – Justice William Hill

In Attendance:

Commission Members:

Justice William Hill – Wyoming Supreme Court
Director Guy Cameron – Wyoming Office of Homeland Security
Judge Denise Nau – Laramie County Circuit Court
Representative Jon Botten – Wyoming House of Representatives
Commissioner Mike Colling – Converse County Commission
Joe Hartigan – Supreme Court Security Officer
Joann Odendahl – State Court Administrator/Supreme Court

(VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE)

Judge Jeffrey Donnell – Second Judicial Court, Laramie, WY
Judge Wesley A. Roberts – Circuit of the Ninth Judicial District, Fremont County
Sheriff Jack “Skip” Hornecker – Fremont County Sheriff

(VIA TELECONFERENCE)

Chief Justice Kite – Wyoming Supreme Court
Senator Drew Perkins – Wyoming Senate
Jeani Stone – Campbell County Attorney

Also Attending:

Joseph C. Moore – U.S. Marshal for the District of Wyoming
Ryan Thompson – Chief Deputy U.S. Marshal for the District of Wyoming
Pam Eisenach – Executive Assistant, Wyoming Office of Homeland Security

Introductions:

Justice William Hill introduced U.S. Marshal Joseph C. Moore and Chief Deputy U.S. Marshal Ryan Thompson. Director Guy Cameron introduced Pam Eisenach who is the Executive Assistant for Wyoming Homeland Security.

III. Approval of October 5, 2011 Minutes

Justice Hill entertained a motion to approve the Court Security Commission Meeting Minutes of October 5, 2011. Judge Donnell made a motion to approve the minutes, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Colling. The motion was voted on and carried.

IV. Governor's Appointment of the POST Commission Representative to the Court Security Commission

Justice Hill reported that Chief Lane 's position as a member from this Commission is still vacant, but it is anticipated that Governor Mead will appoint a representative to this position in September.

V. Fremont County – Riverton Courtroom Incident

Sheriff Hornecker gave detailed information about the gunshot incident at the Fremont County – Riverton Circuit Court. The bullet penetrated the exterior wall and struck an interior partition in the Riverton Circuit Courtroom. Emergency measures were taken immediately to protect the courtroom. Three steel conex walls were placed around this metal Butler-style building.

Judge Roberts also presented information regarding the incident and discussed possible short-term and long-term solutions for the Fremont County Circuit Court. Judge Roberts noted it is the responsibility of the Fremont County Commissioners to provide a suitable and safe environment for the Circuit Court. Judge Roberts indicated that the lack of funding is the issue.

Chief Justice Kite noted that this item will be on the agenda for the Board of Judicial Policy and Administration meeting next month. Chief Justice Kite suggested that a sub-committee of the Wyoming Court Security Commission, in conjunction with Sheriff Hornecker and Judge Roberts, meet with Fremont County Officials to discuss these safety concerns.

Marshal Moore indicated to the Commission that the U.S. Marshal Service will provide assistance to the Court Security Commission in whatever capacity they can.

Justice Hill indicated that the Wyoming Court Security Commission will send a delegation to participate in meetings with Fremont County officials. Justice Hill stressed that Chief Justice Kite, the U.S. Marshal Service and the Wyoming Court Security Commission will help Fremont County Circuit Court with their courthouse security concerns.

VI. Update Regarding House Bill 70 Prohibiting Carrying of Firearms into Specified Buildings/Open Carry Legislation

Representative Botten reported House Bill 70, Wyoming Court Security Act of 2012 went through several drafts. The Bill did pass by two-thirds on the first reading, but the Bill failed at third reading. Discussion followed with regard as to what to do next and the possibility of taking different action seeking other legal options.

VII. Review of Policy (draft) when Securing Funds to Cover the Cost of Security in High Profile Cases

Joann Odendahl reported the Commission was successful in receiving \$100,000 for court security in high-profile cases. Joann suggested that in order to keep track of where the money needs to be spent, a policy be put in place on how the funds will be appropriated. Representative Botten suggested there be a definition of a high-profile case. Justice Hill will work on high profile case language and send an e-mail to the Commission members for comments.

VIII. Other Court Security Issues around the State

Joe Hartigan, Supreme Court Security Officer, reported detailed information about security issues he observed while touring State Courthouse Buildings. He indicated that funding for security equipment and security manpower is a major concern. Joe indicated that Senator Franken from Minnesota has introduced a Bill, S. 2076, H.R. 6185, which makes it easier for state and local courts to get training for law enforcement officers, security equipment and grants to improve courthouse security .

IX. Annual Report – Due September 1, 2012

Joann Odendahl stated she will work with Pam Eisenach to complete the annual report which is due September 1, 2012. Judge Roberts and Sheriff Hornecker will have an overview on the Riverton Courtroom incident to be included in the annual report. Joann indicated that she will e-mail the Commission the link to an electronic copy of the annual report which will be posted on the Wyoming Homeland Security Website.

X. Sub-Committee Members to meet with Fremont County Commissioners

Justice Hill noted that the sub-committee from the Wyoming Court Security Commission to meet with the Fremont County Commissioners will be: Justice Hill, Judge Donnell, Commissioner Colling, Sheriff Hornecker, Director Cameron, Court Security Officer Hartigan and U.S. Marshal Moore.

XI. Next Meeting

Joann Odendahl noted that the Wyoming Court Security Act requires the Wyoming Court Security Commission to meet two times each year. Joann suggested that the next meeting be held the second week of November. Joann will send an e-mail to the Commission members regarding scheduling the next meeting.

XII. Adjournment

Justice Hill thanked everyone who attended the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon.

NOTE: MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 15, 2012 MEETING HAVE NOT YET BEEN APPROVED BY THE COURT SECURITY COMMISSION. THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COMMISSION IS SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 2012.

IN THE SUPREME COURT, STATE OF WYOMING

April Term, A.D. 2012

*In the Matter of the Adoption of
Procedures for Securing
Court Security Funds*

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IN THE SUPREME COURT
STATE OF WYOMING
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Carol Thompson
CAROL THOMPSON, CLERK

**ORDER ADOPTING PROCEDURES FOR SECURING
COURT SECURITY FUNDS IN HIGH PROFILE CASES**

This matter came before the Court by referral from the Court Security Commission. The Commission reviewed the attached Procedures for Securing Court Security Funds in High Profile Cases and recommended that those procedures be adopted by this Court. After reviewing those procedures, the Court deems it necessary and proper to adopt the Procedures for Securing Court Security Funds in High Profile Cases. It is therefore,

ORDERED that the Procedures for Securing Court Security Funds in High Profile Cases, a copy of which is attached hereto, be and hereby are, adopted and shall be effective immediately; and it is further

ORDERED that a copy of the Procedures for Securing Court Security Funds in High Profile Cases shall be provided to the various county commissioners, county sheriffs, chiefs of police and judges throughout the state as well as made available on-line on this Court's website, <http://www.courts.state.wy.us>.

DATED this 23rd day of August, 2012.

BY THE COURT:

Marilyn S. Kite

**MARILYN S. KITE
Chief Justice**

Procedures for Securing Court Security Funds in High Profile Cases

In the 2012 Legislative Session, funds were appropriated to the Wyoming Supreme Court to assist local law enforcement with the cost of providing security in high profile cases. A high-profile case may be any type of case or trial involving an unusual amount of media coverage and/or public comment. Examples of such public comment might include demonstrators, anonymous threats or other such unusual occurrences; or any type of case that may entail unusual or additional security requirements regardless of media attention. Cases involving disgruntled litigants or observers, racial or lifestyle issues, multiple murders, sex crimes, crimes involving gangs or cults or any case requiring jury sequestration may qualify for the court security funds.

Guidelines to secure Court Security Contingency Funds:

1. The County Sheriff and local Board of County Commissioners shall submit a proposal to the judge appointed to the case/trial requiring additional security. The proposal shall identify the security plan throughout the anticipated duration of the trial, the number of Officers assigned to security, outside agencies which are providing resources/personnel, and the cost associated with the average 40 hour work week, and any anticipated hours beyond the average 40 hour work week.
2. The proposal shall identify potential costs associated with additional equipment needs, travel, room/board of Officers borrowed from outside jurisdictions, and any other known expenses associated with the security function of the case/trial. As the security plan for a high profile case is updated periodically to include additional outside agencies, the updated information shall be provided to the appointed judge to determine if additional funds will be needed.
3. The proposal shall identify potential security costs associated with a sequestered jury if applicable.
4. Once the appointed judge has reviewed and approved the proposed security plan with estimated costs, the plan shall be submitted to the State Court Administrator's Office, Wyoming Supreme Court, 2301 Capitol Avenue, Cheyenne, WY 82002. The State Court Administrator's Office will advise the County Commissioners in writing within 30 days as to the availability and approval of funds to meet the proposed security needs.
5. Upon completion of the trial the County Commissioners shall submit a final invoice within 30 days to the appointed judge outlining the actual security costs, the costs covered by the County, and the amount requested from the Court Security Contingency Fund, for approval and submission to the State Court Administrator's Office.

6. If the actual security costs exceed the County's budget, funds from the Court Security Contingency Fund shall be distributed to the County not to exceed the amount previously identified in writing from the State Court Administrator's office. If applicable, the funds shall be disbursed within 30 days.

There is no guarantee funds will be available to cover the costs of additional security for high profile cases through the Court Security Fund administered by the Wyoming Supreme Court. It is the discretion of the Court to request additional funding for security in future budgets.

**Fremont County Circuit Court
Ninth Judicial District
Riverton, Wyoming**

Memorandum

To: Honorable William Hill, Chairman, Wyoming Court Security Commission
From: Wes Roberts, Circuit Court Judge, Riverton, Wyoming
CC: Honorable Marilyn Kite, Chief Justice of the Wyoming Supreme Court
Date: 8/30/2012
Re: Overview of the Gunshot Incident at the Circuit Court in Riverton, Wyoming

As a follow-up to the meeting of the Wyoming Court Security Commission August 15, 2012, I am providing this overview of the gunshot incident for inclusion in your annual report to the Legislature.

During my last court hearing Tuesday, July 31, 2012 Sgt. Rohrbacher, Chief of Court Security, noticed a suspicious hole in the wall next to the defense table. He inspected the hole after court at about 5:15 p.m. and discovered that someone had fired a shot at the court. The bullet pierced the metal skin on the exterior of the court and passed completely through the wall and entered the courtroom. A fragment of the bullet then hit a barrier wall splintered the oak window casing and fell to the floor. The bullet fragment was found on the carpet in the courtroom. But for the partition, it would have stuck somewhere in the gallery. It was obviously a deliberate shot clearly calculated to hit the courtroom.

The Riverton Police Department was notified immediately and the incident is currently being investigated. No report has been provided to me yet. It does appear that a large caliber bullet (likely from a handgun) was fired from a distance into the north wall of the courtroom. The entry hole is located just east of the emergency exit door which previously was used to move prisoners to and from the courtroom.

Surveillance video has been reviewed, but so far no conclusions have been reached. It appears that the gunshot may have occurred sometime late Saturday July 28, 2012 or in the early morning hours Sunday, July 29, 2012. The courtroom was not in use at all Monday July 30, 2012. I was out of town that day, and Circuit Court Judge, Rob Denhardt, held appearances for Riverton prisoners in his Lander courtroom that day.

The exact date, time and manner of the shooting have yet to be determined.

I called an emergency meeting of our Court Safety and Security Committee at noon August 1, 2012. The meeting was very well attended. This is a standing, and very active committee that brings court security concerns to the attention of our Board of Fremont County Commissioners. At the conclusion of the meeting it was decided that the Sheriff would have Con-ex boxes placed around and along the exterior walls of the court offices and courtroom. The boxes (large steel metal containers approximately 9 feet high, 7 feet wide and 45 feet long) were in place by 8:30 a.m. August 2, 2012. They remain in place at this time. The Con-ex boxes are considered an immediate stop-gap measure until law enforcement has a better understanding of the potential threat, and while better and longer term solutions are considered.

Commissioner Travis Becker is a member of our Court Safety and Security Committee. He reported the incident to the Fremont County Commissioners Tuesday, August 7, 2012. No action has been taken, but several options have been discussed.

I reported the incident to Chief Justice Marilyn Kite Wednesday, August 1, 2012, and she immediately took steps to address the matter with the members of the Wyoming Supreme Court and the Wyoming Court Safety Commission. She has been in regular contact with me. At her request I have arranged a meeting with the Fremont County Commissioners for Tuesday August 28, 2012 at 2:30 p.m. A delegation consisting of Chief Justice Kite as well as members of the Wyoming Court Security Commission and the Board of Judicial Policy and Administration will be attending that meeting. Chief Justice Kite has also put me in contact with Joe Hartigan, Chief of Security for the Wyoming Supreme Court. He and I have also been in regular contact.

Long term solutions to address the obvious problem of an unsafe facility have been discussed for many years. These quotes from court security expert, David C. Coulter, appear in his written audit report to the Fremont County Commissioners in 2007. They succinctly describe the security issues inherent with this Butler-style building:

“It was noted in the first survey [completed by Mr. Coulter in 2001] that this facility is not a courthouse by design, but a converted fair exhibition hall. This fact alone presents serious problems for any security proposal.”

“Although many improvements have been made to the Riverton Circuit Court facility. it remains far from secure in many respects. The building is a thin metal shell with no protection from small arms fire or explosive device.”

“Freemont [sic] County must consider replacing the Riverton facility with a new and up-to-date courthouse or justice center that is designed solely with the unique needs of this community in mind. The current facility has far outlived its usefulness and nearly everything has been done which can be done to secure it with a few exceptions.”

The Fremont County Commissioners have been very responsive to our Committee’s call for safety and security measures at this facility, and great strides have been made to address the multitude of security issues identified by Mr. Coulter and by our Safety and Security Committee over the past seven years. Unfortunately, we are still located in the same building with a thin metal skin that makes this an extremely vulnerable facility. One of our greatest remaining weaknesses (unfortunately there are others) has been exploited. Our “Achilles heel” has been exposed and made public.

I appreciated the opportunity to discuss this very important issue with the Commission at your regular meeting. Please feel free to contact me any time if you need additional information or have any questions.

**Wyoming Court Security Commission
Local Court Security Management Committees
(As of May 2010)**

ALBANY COUNTY- Established

Judge Jeffery A. Donnell, District Court
Judge Robert A. Castor, Circuit Court
Tim Sullivan, Albany County Commissioner
Devon O'Connell , Albany County Bar Association
Richard Bohling, Albany County Attorney
Sheriff James F. Pond, Committee Chairman

BIG HORN COUNTY-Established

Georgia Hunt, District Attorney
Sheriff Kenneth Blackburn
Judge Tom Harrington, Circuit Court
Julie Faber, Detention Lt.
Robyn Guty, Detention Sgt.
Royal Duneman, Detention Deputy
Deb Rathbun, Recording Secretary

CAMPBELL COUNTY-Established

Dan Coolidge, Commission Chairman
Bob Palmer, Administrative Director
Kevin King
Lt. Jim Hloucal
Dave King, Emergency Management
Jeani Stone, County Attorney
Sgt. Tom Baumgartner

CARBON COUNTY-Established

District Court Judge Wade Waldrip
Circuit Court Judge Jane Eakin
Sheriff Jerry Colson
Deputy Mishell Howard
District Court Judicial Assistant Barbara Casados
Circuit Court Chief Clerk Laurretta Sheller
County Clerk, Gwynn Bartlett

CONVERSE COUNTY-Established

Sheriff Clinton Becker
District Court Judge John Brooks
District Court Judge I. Vincent Case
Don Gushurst, Converse County Building Maintenance
Mike Colling, Converse County Commissioner
Russ Dalgarn, Converse County Emergency Management Coordinator

CROOK COUNTY-Established

Tom Adams, Chairman (Sheriff's Office)
Dean Emmert, (Sheriff's Office)
Steve Stahla, Sheriff
Joe Baron, (County Attorney's Office)

Tina Wood (District Court)
Randy Gill (Courthouse Maint.)
Judge Fred Dollison (Circuit Court)
Arna Montgomery (Circuit Court)
Jim Hadley (County Commissioner)
James Pridgeon (Emergency Management)

FREMONT COUNTY-Established

Riverton Court Security Committee
Sheriff Jack R. "Skip" Hornecker, Fremont County Sheriff
Corky Ring, Riverton Circuit Court
Judge Wes Roberts, Riverton Circuit Court
Sgt. Cris Rohrbacher, Fremont County's Sheriff's Office (Court Security)
Sgt. Ron Blumenshine, Fremont County Sheriff's Office (Detention)
Lt. Kathy Mosbrucker, Fremont County Sheriff's Office (Detention)
Commissioner Dennis Heckert, Fremont County Commissioner
Brian Varn, Fremont County Attorney
JR. Oakley, Fremont County Building Maint. Supervisor
Kathy Metzler, Fremont County Emergency Management Coordinator
Detective Eric Murphy, Riverton Police Department

Lander Court Security Committee
Judge Rob Denhardt, Lander Circuit Court
Judge Rachelle Fontaine, Lander District Court
Pat Hickerson, Fremont County Commissioner
Deputy John Applegate, Sheriff's Office Court Security Unit
Sheriff Jack R. "Skip" Hornecker, Fremont County Sheriff

GOSHEN COUNTY-Established

Sheriff Don Murphy, Goshen County Sheriff
Ross Newman, Goshen County Commissioner
Judge Keith Kautz, Torrington District Court

HOT SPRINGS COUNTY-Established

John P. Lumley, Hot Springs County Commissioner
Brad W. Basse, Hot Springs County Commissioner
Judge Robert Skar
Judge Thomas Herrington
Jerry Williams, Hot Springs County Attorney
Sheriff Lou Falgoust
Deputy Sheriff Dan Pebbles
Police Chief Mark Nelson

JOHNSON COUNTY-Established

Sheriff Steve Kozisek
Undersheriff Kerry Wolf
Capt. Kevin Filbert
Deputy Rod Odenbach
Gerald Fink, Commission Chairman
Smokey Wildeman, Commissioner
Thelma Axberg, Clerk of District Court
Debby Vandel, Deputy Clerk
Anne Tkach, Chief Clerk of Circuit Court

LARAMIE COUNTY-Established

Danny Glick, Sheriff
Bill Long, Detention Administrator
Scott Young, Detention Security Lieutenant
Mark Voss, County Attorney
Sylvia Hackl, Assistant County Attorney
Susan Sweeney, Risk Manager
David Flood, Information Technology
Gerrie Bishop, Clerk of District Court
Gay Woodhouse, County Commissioner
Judge Pete Arnold, District Court
Judge Moran, Municipal Court
Judge Denise Nau, Circuit Court
Mitch Guthrie, Attorney
Chris Wegner, Building Maintenance Manager
Diane Lozano
Jared Keslar, Cheyenne Police Department

LINCOLN COUNTY-Established

Judge Dennis Sanderson, District Court
Judge Frank Zebre, Circuit Court
Sheriff Shane Johnson
Kent Connelly, Commissioner
Kent Brown, Public Defender

NATRONA COUNTY

Judge Michael Huber, Circuit Court
Judge Scott Skavdahl, District Court
Robert Hendry, Commission Chairman
Sheriff Mark Benton

NIOBRARA COUNTY-Established

Sheriff Rick Zerbe
Lori Doyle, Detention Lieutenant
Linda Fosher, Clerk of District Court
Richard Ladwig, Commission Chairman
Arlene Rapp, Commissioner

PARK COUNTY-Established

Bill Brewer, Commissioner
Brian Skoric, County Attorney
Sheriff Scott Steward
Judge Stephen Cranfill, District Court
Judge Bruce Waters, Circuit Court

PLATTE COUNTY-Established

Jane Carlson, Chairman
Sheriff Steve Keigley
Susan Artery, Clerk of District Court
Patti Thompson, Clerk of Circuit Court
Blayne Tamlin
Dan Kirkbride, Commission Chairman
Eric Jones, County Attorney

SHERIDAN COUNTY-Established

Sheriff Dave Hofmeier
Lt. Mark Conrad, Sheriff's Office
Renee Obermueller, Administrative Director
Dave Coleman, Emergency Management Coordinator
Mike Morris, Facilities Management Coordinator
Jim Billings, Manager-ITech Department
Greg McClintock, ITech Department

SUBLETTE COUNTY-Established

Judge Tyler, District Court
Judge Haws, Circuit Court
Sheriff Wayne Bardin

SWEETWATER COUNTY-Established

Judge Forgey, Circuit Court
Rob Slaughter, Treasurer
Judge Ryckman, District Court
Sheriff Richard Haskell

TETON COUNTY-Established

Judge Nancy J. Guthrie, District Court
Judge Tim C. Day, Circuit Court
Sheriff Jim Whalen
Dee Mahoney, Clerk of District Court
David Baker, Clerk of Circuit Court
Steven Weichman, County Attorney
Hank Phibbs, Commission Chairman

UINTA COUNTY-Established

Sheriff Napoli
Lt. Tom Saprorny
Mick Powers, Commission Chairman
Judge Sanderson, District Court
Judge Greer, Circuit Court
Anne Lavery, District Court Clerk
Lynne Fox, County Clerk
Terry Brimhall, County Treasurer
Lori Perkins, County Assessor
Kent Williams, County Planner
Kim West, Emergency Management
Don Casper (Communications)
Ron Taylor (County Maintenance)
Ruth Dewitt (County IT Coordinator)

WASHAKIE COUNTY-Established

Sheriff Steve Rakness
Judge Bob Skar, District Court
Tom Harrington, Circuit Court
Ron Harvey, Commission Chairman
Al Nelson, Deputy/Court Security Officer

WESTON COUNTY-Established

Doug Jorrey, Homeland Security Coordinator
Jerry Shepperson, Commissioner
Sheriff Bill Ware

