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Simonson Honored with Legislative Counsel of the Year Award from Oklahoma Association of Chiefs of Police

Tulsa, Okla.— Terry Simonson, Director of Governmental Affairs for Tulsa County, was presented with the prestigious Legislative Counsel of the Year award from the Oklahoma Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP) at their annual conference this past month in Durant, Oklahoma. Simonson received the award—the first time it has been given in 6 years—in recognition for his efforts to push legislation that focuses on public safety through the state.

“We recognize that in order for Oklahoma Law Enforcement to be effective it requires a hand-in-hand working relationship with Legislators and prosecutors,” said OACP President George Haralson. “There are often times when existing legislation concerning state criminal laws need to be adjusted or modified so that we can keep up with concerns that impact the safety of the public. Terry does an excellent job of advocating for legislation essential for improved public safety.”

“Terry has worked tirelessly to ensure that public safety legislation is top-of-mind and that the decisionmakers understand the importance and impacts,” said Tulsa County Board of County Commissioners’ Chair Karen Keith. “The County is so honored that Terry was presented with this most-deserved award for his enormous successes.”

Tulsa County Governmental Affairs aims to raise awareness about the needs, challenges, and opportunities facing County government while representing County officials at the state legislature and before other federal, state, and local governments.

The Oklahoma Association of Chiefs of Police is the largest law enforcement executive and administrative association in Oklahoma and boasts more than 500 members from municipal, campus, corporate, federal, state, tribal, rail, and law enforcement executives who live and work in Oklahoma. Learn more about OACP at <https://theoacp.org/>.

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