

Dear MCPI Members,

Happy Spring MCPI! Although the weather is not very Spring-like (Snow in DC!), we are off to a great start to 2018 in the legislative arena!

During the week of March 20-24, 2018 I attended NCISS' annual "Hit the Hill" conference in Washington, DC. This was my third year attending this great event. Also in attendance for the second year was MCPI member Tim Gilbert (Koda Group, INC.) and first year attendee Michael Cook (Signature Investigations Group.)

I spent a few weeks making phone calls and sending emails back and forth with all 14 of the Michigan Congressional offices as well as both Senate offices. I was able to secure appointments in five of the offices:

Senator Gary Peters (D)
Senator Debbie Stabenow (D)
Representative Paul Mitchell (R-10th District)
Representative Jack Bergman (R-1st District)
Representative Justin Amash (R-3rd District)

Tim, Mike, and I, attended all five appointments with the Legislative Aides in these offices and discussed the following topics:

1. Amend the Geolocational Privacy and Surveillance Act, or GPS Act— S.395-(Wyden, D-Or), House companion- H.R. 3470 (Farenthold, R-Tx-27)

— *Point conveyed to the L.A. : Congress must include an exemption for state-licensed PI, conducting otherwise legal activities within the normal course of their professional duties.*

2. Supporting Federal Background Checks for Private Security Officers

— *Point conveyed to the L.A. : Please contact Senator Toomy and become an original co-sponsor of SOSIA (Security Officers Screening Improvement Act) in 2018.*

3. Amend the Anti-Spoofing Act of 2017— (S.134, Nelson and H.R. 423, Meng)

— *The point conveyed to the Legislative Aide: Please include clarifying language necessary to ensure that pretexting is NOT included by the FCC.*

We were also able to drop off packets in a few of the other offices that we were unable to obtain appointments with.





A luncheon was held at the US Capitol and the prestigious NCISS Duffy Award was presented to the two Capitol Police Officers that were credited in stopping the shooter at the Congressional Softball game in June 2017, (Officer Crystal Griner who was shot in-the-line-of-duty and Officer David Bailey.) Also in attendance was Representative Scalise (who was shot and severely wounded) as well as many other Senators and Representatives.

It should also be noted that Tim Gilbert, MCPI member, was appointed to take my place as the NCISS Region 1 Director, and I was elected as the new NCISS Treasurer at the annual NCISS Board Meeting in Arlington, Va.

The event was a huge success, and I encourage you, if you are not a member of NCISS, please contact me for an application and GET SIGNED UP! You are doing yourself a disservice if you are not a supporting member of NCISS. We are your voice in Washington and the second half of your legislative coverage, the first being MCPI!

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Candace Ivey.

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