

Legal Briefings for Fire Chiefs

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LEGAL BRIEFINGS FOR FIRE CHIEFS is a unique legal reporting service, written in plain English for Fire Chiefs and other fire service officers. During your tenure, you will face many situations with inevitable and serious legal implications.

Our mission is to help you learn from the legal experiences of other fire chiefs ... to help you avoid mistakes that inevitably result in protracted, costly litigation ... and to help you to **USE THE LAW** to defend your department, your community, and yourself. **LEGAL BRIEFINGS FOR FIRE CHIEFS** is the only service of its kind. Our staff of attorneys, former fire chiefs, and former fire commissioners reports the most important lawsuits *in plain English – without the legalese.*

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Disability claims – workers' comp – retirement issues
Occupational diseases – toxic exposure
Heart attacks at fire scenes
Hiring procedures - diversity issues
Promotion examinations – disparate impact? – Fire Chief's discretion
Poor performers – termination – the necessary paper trail
Negligence claims against firefighters, dispatchers, EMTs

After 20 years of reporting fire house legal issues to Fire Chiefs nationwide, we know the legal risks fire departments face on a daily basis. In those 20 years of reporting, we have observed an alarming increase in lawsuits filed against Fire Chiefs. These cases can become enormously expensive and will detract from the main goal of the fire service industry: to protect the public.

It has never been more important for Fire Chiefs to have a clear understanding of the laws involving the operation of fire departments. With lawsuits filed against fire departments and Fire Chiefs, there are inevitably no winners. Thus, everything must be done to avoid unnecessary litigation. More importantly, you must know how to defend against claims that are inevitable.

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