



**Jim Palmer** serves on the executive board of directors for the National Association of Police Organizations. He is also the executive director for the Wisconsin Professional Police Association. As the WPPA's chief executive, Jim is also the organization's spokesperson, chief legal counsel, and chief lobbyist.

A native of Wisconsin with deep family ties to police service, Jim left a private law practice in 2003 to advocate for the law enforcement profession as a WPPA staff attorney and lobbyist. He was named the WPPA's executive director in 2007. A frequent public speaker on a wide range of legal topics and public policy matters relating to policing, as well as labor and employment law, Jim has presented to audiences across the country. He has also appeared on national television news networks such as ABC, CNN, BBC, FOX News, and Al-Jazeera America, to name a few, and his written commentaries have been featured in numerous state and national publications.

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