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Gerard (Jerry) Lynch is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for the Regional Information Sharing Systems (RISS), funded by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ). Currently, Mr. Lynch serves under the authority of the RISS National Policy Group, which is composed of the executive directors, deputy directors, and policy board members from each of the six regional RISS Centers. He provides coordination and consultation to the RISS Directors and the Institute for Intergovernmental Research (IIR) management to support RISS activities requiring a national collaborative effort. Currently, Mr. Lynch's responsibilities include research, coordination, and support of RISS positions on national issues related to information exchange and integration of RISS services among RISS member agencies and other local, state, federal, and tribal systems on a nationwide basis. He serves as a liaison to federal agencies at the national level and point of contact in responding to Congress to assist in the communication and coordination of efforts as they apply to RISS. He also coordinates and encourages continued and new RISS partnerships with law enforcement agencies, information sharing systems, and associations to achieve common goals in electronic connectivity, integration, and use of the RISS Secure Intranet, RISSNET. He promotes the use of existing RISS services and RISSNET to other agencies and systems. He also participates in information sharing coordinative and policymaking bodies, such as the Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative, the Global Intelligence Working Group, the DOJ Law Enforcement Information Sharing Program, and the Terrorist Threat Integration Center's Configuration Management Board.

Prior to becoming the RISS CEO, Mr. Lynch was the Executive Director of the Middle Atlantic-Great Lakes Organized Crime Law Enforcement Network (MAGLOCLLEN), a RISS Center. He was responsible for the overall administration and operation of MAGLOCLLEN consistent with the bylaws, the regulations of the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office, and the directions and policies of the policy board. His duties involved the coordination and cooperation of a multistate criminal intelligence and criminal information network. He was responsible for ensuring compliance with federal statutes and those state statutes and regulations that impact on the collection and dissemination of criminal intelligence and criminal information. He directed staff experienced in criminal investigations and the compilation of interstate information to a central database, ultimately leading to improved communications and distribution of information that enhanced the successful conclusions of investigations by member agencies. He also was responsible for liaison and work with the other five RISS Centers across the United States and represented MAGLOCLLEN at meetings at federal and state levels.

Mr. Lynch is a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police and served as chairman of the RISS Directors National Policy Group.

Mr. Lynch holds a juris doctorate from the New York Law School and a bachelor of arts degree in history and political science from the University of Dayton.