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Notice

Private Investigator Qualified Manager (PIQ) Certificate and License Update

Effective January 1, 2025, new requirements for private investigator qualified managers (PIQ) will take effect. Assembly Bill (AB) 1244 (Holden, Chapter 571, Statutes of 2023), signed into law by Governor Newsom on September 13, 2023, mandates PIQs who wish to be associated with more than their own sole proprietorship private investigator license must apply for a qualified manager (QM) license. The license will be issued by the Bureau and expires two years following the date of issuance.

An applicant for a qualified manager license shall satisfy the following requirements:

- Be at least 18 years of age.
- Demonstrate they meet the experience requirements specified in Business and Professions Code sections 7541 and 7541.1.
- Demonstrate passage of the private investigator licensing examination.

All Bureau QM certificate holders must post their PIQ license and certificate below the branch office certificate.