

# ACOA President

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Hello there,

I'm Randy McLellan. I'm an Officer at the Hiland Mountain Correctional Center and I am privileged to serve as the current president of the Alaska Correctional Officers Association (ACOA). I would like to welcome you into the Correctional Officer profession; it is a profession like no other.

As a Correctional Officer, you will walk one of the toughest beats in law enforcement. Today's Correctional Officers are hard-working professionals who put their lives on the line 24/7 protecting the public. You met high standards to be hired and you will continue to meet high standards throughout your career. We are held to and honor a demanding and stringent code of conduct. We are proud to be Correctional Officers. Long gone are the "knuckle dragging" days of the "guard" mentality.

In 2004, Correctional Officers formed their own union and we have been in control of our own destiny ever since. Correctional Officers have been very successful since going out on our own. We have become one of the most respected and influential associations in the State. We have one of the best contracts in the State and provide top representation when needed. Past performance is no guarantee of future success, but with your support and participation nothing should change. You are starting a career and joining an organization you can be proud of!

On behalf of all Correctional Officers, I am glad to welcome you into our ranks! Don't be afraid to ask questions of your fellow Officers; we all started as you are starting. We encourage you to get involved in ACOA. Feel free to contact the office at anytime; someone is usually there from seven in the morning until late at night. If you would like contact me directly, my email is [amrmak@mtaonline.net](mailto:amrmak@mtaonline.net). Welcome to the toughest beat.

Welcome aboard!



Sergeant Randy McLellan

