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# Sonim's Public Safety Advisory Council Bolstered by Addition of Bill Metcalf

## Past IAFC President joins growing network of public safety professionals

SAN MATEO, Calif., Feb. 17, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- [Sonim Technologies](http://www.sonimtech.com), the leading manufacturer of ultra-ruggedized smartphones designed to meet the demanding specifications of first responders, is pleased to announce the addition of Chief William "Bill" Metcalf to its growing Public Safety Advisory Council (PSAC).

Chief Bill Metcalf's remarkable public safety career spans four decades, and includes time as Lieutenant of the Anne Arundel County Fire Department, Director of Emergency Medical Services for the Colorado Department of Public Health, as an EMS Executive Officer, and later, the Assistant Fire Chief for the North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District. In 2003, Bill was named the Fire Chief and CEO of the North County Fire Protection District in Fallbrook, Calif., a position from which he retired in December 2015. Throughout this career, Bill has been heavily involved in projects and organizations that have enriched the public safety community. A member of the IAFC since 1995, Bill served as its President from 2013-2014. Bill has also held leadership positions within the National Fire Service Research Center and Policy Institute and the San Diego Fire Districts Association.

"For years, Bill has served the fire service and EMS communities with distinction," said Sonim CEO Bob Plaschke. "His experience in the two fields will undoubtedly elevate the discourse within our Council. Additionally, his presence on the PSAC highlights Sonim's commitment to working with industry leaders in an effort to ensure public safety professionals have access to solutions that meet their specific, demanding needs."

Sonim's Public Safety Advisory Council, which now stands at seven members, was formed to ensure that first responders have the best communications devices, applications, services and tools required to get their jobs done quickly, reliably and safely. In addition to providing strategic support to Sonim's Public Safety Advisory Board, the Council helps create awareness of the latest technology and communications solutions available to the greater public safety community.

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headquartered in San Mateo, Calif., and offers its products with mobile operators around the world.

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