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So, You're on the Board Now!

Our fire and EMS organizations are in the midst of some significant change, and the boards of directors of agencies are bearing the brunt of the issues that result. Topics relating to declining funding, climbing expenses, more complicated regulations, and increased attention from regulators are appearing more frequently on the agendas of boards of directors. This presentation is a basic training for board members; it is intended to educate them about the basic legal principles related to their service on a non-profit board.

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After attending this session, the learner will be able to:

1. Understand their responsibilities as a member of a board of directors
2. Understand their rights as a member of a board of directors.
3. More effectively participate on the board and better govern the organization he serves.

Outline:

- Introductions, A Brief Quiz
- A Practical Example
 - Organization, Delegation, Job Descriptions, Proper Selection
- The Non Profit Corporation
 - The Corporation
 - Types of Non Profit Corporations
- The Board of Directors
 - Acts as Body
 - Benefit of Others
 - Governance
- The Director of the Non Profit Corporation
 - Selection
 - Accountability
- Obligations, Rights, and Risks
 - Obligations (Duty of Care, Duty of Loyalty)
 - Rights (Management Access, Records and Documents, Dissent)
 - Risk (Personal Risk, D & O Insurance)
- Knowledge of Illegal Activities
- Taxation
 - 501(c)3
 - UBIT
- Helpful Practices
- What Does This Mean to Us?
- Where Do We Go From Here?