



# NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR SHOPLIFTING PREVENTION®

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## **NASP Continues the Expansion of its Advisory Committee**

Melville NY – 6/3/2019 – As part of its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration and ongoing evolution, the National Association for Shoplifting Prevention (NASP) continues to expand its Advisory Committee with the addition of Scott Glenn, Vice President, Asset Protection for The Home Depot and John Matas Jr., Senior Director, Asset Protection Investigations and ORC, Macy's, Inc. This latest expansion further supports the organization's focus on connecting retailers and criminal justice to support collaborative efforts to reduce shoplifter recidivism, which, in addition to saving police, prosecutor and retail resources, will reduce ongoing theft activity and improve safety in stores and communities alike.

“We are humbled by the willingness of leaders such as Scott and John to be part of this industry effort to examine progressive alternatives to an age-old problem. I am delighted with the level of collaboration between retailers as we work to alter how the nation thinks about shoplifting prevention in the age of criminal justice reform,” noted NASP Executive Director Caroline Kochman. “The collective voice of the veteran retail asset protection leaders assembled on this committee has great promise to influence the approach taken by retailers, criminal justice and communities around the country.”

Over a 25+ year career in retail asset protection and industry service, Scott's resume includes a law degree and leadership positions at multiple national department store brands as well as a variety of professional committees leading up to his current role. John Matas brings nearly 35 years working in investigations, financial crimes and ORC at Macys, Inc. giving him a unique point of view on the intersection of non-professional misdemeanor shoplifting and ORC. John is also an Advisory Board member for the International Association of Financial Crimes Investigators.

Glenn stated, “I appreciate the opportunity to contribute to the great work that NASP engages in around the country. NASP is leading productive efforts to work with law enforcement at all levels, as well as our legislative partners, to drive the opportunities impacting retailers. This is especially critical in today's environment as the key issues are quickly changing across our industry.”

Jim Lee of the LPMedia Group noted, “I am happy that leaders like Scott and John see and appreciate the value in NASP's work as I do. Working with NASP, there is so much this exceptional group of leaders can accomplish in terms of transforming the way retailers and criminal justice collaborate to prevent and respond to shoplifting.”

### **About NASP:**

Incorporated in 1989 as a non-profit organization under IRS code 501(c)(3), the National Association for Shoplifting Prevention is the nation's leading provider of shoplifter education programs. Trusted by more than 4,000 criminal justice professionals in 2,000 jurisdictions around the U.S., NASP's offense-specific education programs have a court-documented recidivism rate of less than 3%. NASP's mission is to raise public awareness about the harmful effects of shoplifting on youth, families and communities, unite public

opinion toward constructive solutions, deliver needed programs and services and engage community action in prevention efforts to improve the lives of those affected and reduce the number of people who become involved. All NASP efforts are driven by one overarching goal – to reduce shoplifter recidivism.

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