

## Sanctions Process for Bifurcated States

One sanctions letter requiring a response for violations discovered during the NFF/IAFIS Audit would be sent to the state Compact Officer or chief administrator of the state repository. A separate sanctions letter requiring a response for III misuse discovered during the NCIC Audit would be sent to the CJIS Systems Officer (CSO). A copy of the CSO's sanction letter would be provided to the state Compact Officer or chief administrator of the state repository. Response letters would be independently submitted by each agency to the Sanctions Committee for consideration. The CSO would also be responsible for sending a copy of his/her response letter to the state Compact Officer or chief administrator of the state repository.

If escalation of the sanctions process becomes necessary due to lack of a response or an inadequate response from the CSO, then corresponding follow-up sanctions processes would be independently addressed through the organizational structure of the CSA. Copies of correspondence relating to any such escalation would be provided to the state Compact Officer or chief administrator of the state repository.

Diagram Depicting the Sanctions Process for Bifurcated States

