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Steve Johnson, Sgt. at Arms

The son of a California educator, Steve was raised with values that emphasized the importance of integrity and service. He received a congressional nomination to the United States Air Force Academy, where he majored in engineering and political science. Steve served as a flight navigator on-board EC-130 aircraft during numerous operations and conflicts abroad.

After honorably serving his commitment, Steve returned to Los Angeles and later obtained his master's degree from USC's Marshall School of Business. While serving in various community roles throughout the county, his passion for public service further deepened when he saw the need for safer communities.

He parlayed this need into a career with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, where he currently holds the rank of Lieutenant. Steve was previously assigned to East Los Angeles Station as a Watch Commander but most recently was elected as President of the Los Angeles County Professional Peace Officers' Association.

As a Sergeant working within the Los Angeles County Sheriff Department's Bureau of Labor Relations & Compliance, Steve supervised the Department's specialized intake of internal complaints while managing a staff of sworn employees and civilian compliance officers. He also oversaw investigative findings of formalized County review panels.

As an Internal Affairs Bureau Investigator within his Department, Steve conducted detailed review of deputy-involved shootings and use of force incidents. He also led and conducted Department administrative investigations and presented investigative findings to a formalized Executive Force Review board.

He worked as a patrol sergeant at West Hollywood Station and Transit Services Bureau, positions which included responsibilities as an acting Watch Commander, Watch Sergeant, and Field Sergeant.

As a deputy, Steve worked at Pitchess Detention Center for several years and later completed patrol training at Century Station. He was then assigned to the South Los Angeles area within his Department's Transit Policing Division/South Bureau.

Due to his specialized background in counterterrorism, he worked in the Department's Threat Interdiction Unit and responded to threats as specialized force protection for HAZMAT and Arson & Explosives Teams. Within this unit, Steve received and conducted specialized training on bomb threats, train assaults, and hostage rescue.

Steve also serves on the executive board of the American Legion's Star Post 309, an association that honors and preserves the heritage and dignity of military veterans who also work in law enforcement.

Steve has spent most of his career representing the interest of military and law enforcement personnel and making sure their voices are heard. It is his honor to serve the dedicated members of this noble organization.