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### **PROFILE**

- Member of Senior Executive Service (SES) with over 34 years experience in the United States Department of Justice (DOJ) as an FBI Special Agent, Assistant United States Attorney, United States Attorney, and Chief Learning Officer.
- Expertise in conducting and supervising federal grand jury investigations and criminal trials, including national security and terrorism matters.
- Legal training coordinator and instructor responsible for the professional development of all DOJ personnel.
- Top Secret/SCI security clearance.

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### **UNITES STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, NATIONAL ADVOCACY CENTER**

##### *Chief Learning Officer (2018-Present)*

- Supervise the day-to-day operations of the National Advocacy Center (NAC), DOJ's national legal training academy located on the campus of the University of South Carolina (UofSC).
- Adjunct Faculty at the UofSC School of Law (Federal Criminal Practice Capstone).

#### **U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA**

##### *United States Attorney (January 2016-2018)*

##### *Duties:*

- Chief federal law enforcement officer in the district managed an 85-employee United States Attorney's Office with the primary mission of representing the United States of America in all criminal and civil litigation.
- Work closely with federal, state, and local law enforcement heads to develop cohesive strategies that deter, investigate, and prosecute violations of federal laws, and prevent acts of terrorism.
- Member, United States Attorney General's Advisory Counsel (AGAC) subcommittees responsible for setting national priorities and policy on terrorism and national security, civil rights, and Native American issues.

##### *Achievements:*

- Initiated and supervised the successful investigation of Joe Maldonado, also known as "Joe Exotic" and "The Tiger King."
- Selected to lecture in Malaysia for the Department of State on terrorism issues confronting our international law enforcement partners in Southeast Asia.
- Published op-ed in "The Oklahoman" on police-citizen encounters.

- Successfully implemented and led a “Protecting Houses of Worship” security training seminar for almost 400 members of the faith-based community.
- Adjunct Professor, University of Central Missouri, Department of Criminal Justice, Homeland Security (online 2016-2017).

***First Assistant United States Attorney/Chief, Criminal Division (March 2010-January 2016)***

*Duties:*

- Chief of staff to the United States Attorney responsible for reviewing and implementing a new management team and policies, prepared new work plans, and conducted annual performance evaluations.
- Reviewed and approved indictments, plea agreements, and criminal appeals prepared by Criminal Division prosecutors.
- Served as Anti-Terrorism Coordinator (ATAC) and member of the FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF).

*Achievements:*

- Selected as Assistant Team Leader for the Evaluation and Review Staff (EARS) responsible for the periodic inspection of all 94 United States Attorney’s Offices to ensure financial accountability and compliance with Department management standards, and review judicial and law enforcement agency relations.

***Section Chief, General Crimes Section (August 2008-March 2010)***

*Duties:*

- Supervisory attorney for unit prosecuting bank fraud, identity theft, counterfeiting, immigration offenses, embezzlements, human trafficking, and postal crimes.

***Assistant Director, National Advocacy Center (May 2007- August 2008)***

*Duties:*

- Detailed for 15 months to the National Advocacy Center (NAC).
- Supervised a Program Manager and Program Assistant in developing Continuing Legal Education (CLE) accredited legal training programs for federal prosecutors and law enforcement agents.
- Recruited faculty, marshaled faculty materials, and created agendas for assigned courses.
- Prepared and reviewed student evaluations for each assigned course.
- Prepared after action reports for Director’s review and each recommended changes based on course evaluations.

*Achievements:*

- Letter of Commendation from DOJ/Civil Rights Division for excellence in training.
- Project Editor for Office of Legal Education publication on Federal Firearms Laws.

***Section Chief, Violent Crime Section (May 1995-May 2007)***

*Duties:*

- Supervisory attorney for unit prosecuting violent offenses.
- Responsible for case intake and assignment of all violent crime cases.

- Project Safe Neighborhoods Coordinator/Anti-Gang Coordinator.

*Achievements:*

- Letter of Commendation from DOJ/OIG.
- Meritorious Service Act Award, United States Attorney Pat Ryan.
- Certificate of Appreciation, ATF, National Audit Conference, FLETC

***General Crimes Section (January 1991-May 1995)***

*Duties:*

- Assistant United States Attorney responsible for prosecuting firearms offenses, immigration violations, bank and credit union robberies, kidnappings, escapes, crimes within Indian country, federal prisons, and military installations.
- Participated in the “OKBOMB” investigation in the immediate aftermath of the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building by Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols.
- Successfully prosecuted Franklin D. Floyd for the kidnapping and murder of six-year-old Michael Hughes, which led to the publication of the book “A Beautiful Child,” and various stories on CourtTV, ABC Nightline, and Netflix.

*Achievements:*

- Extra Mile Award, United States Attorney Vicki Miles La-Grange.
- Special Appreciation Award, United States Attorney Vicki Miles La-Grange.

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, SPECIAL AGENT**

*(September 1986-January 1991)*

*Duties:*

- Graduate, FBI Academy, Quantico, VA.
- Responsible for investigating bank robberies, kidnappings, theft of government property, public corruption, and government program fraud, including bank and mortgage fraud.
- Provided legal guidance to other Special Agents and taught evidence, search and seizure law, and other legal concepts at state and local law enforcement training academies.

*Achievements:*

- Letter of Commendation from FBI Director William S. Sessions.
- Letter of Commendation from United States Attorney Tim Leonard.

**EDUCATION / BAR ADMISSIONS**

- J.D., Cumberland School of Law, Samford University, Birmingham, AL (1986).
- B.S., Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL (1982).
- Bar Membership: Oklahoma, Florida (inactive), and District of Columbia (inactive).

**PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS**

- Mark A. Yancey and Kate Holey, *Search Warrants: Frequent Problems with Substance and Execution*, Oklahoma Bar Journal, Vol. 87, No. 8 (2016).
- Mark A. Yancey, *Understanding the Interstate Agreement on Detainers Act: Ten Questions and Answers*, Oklahoma Bar Journal, Vol. 80, No. 26 (2009).