

## John Shanks

Mr. John Shanks is an independent contractor currently working with the Department of Justice, International Criminal Investigative Training Assistance Program (ICITAP) as a Curriculum Developer and Master Instructor in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Prior to working for ICITAP, John managed full scale law enforcement training programs and Police Training Institute for the Faith Fight Finish Foundation by Dak Prescott and the Council for a Strong America.

John started his law enforcement career with the United States Air Force as a Law Enforcement Specialist and served eight years at the USAF Joint Law Enforcement and Security Training Center at Lackland AFB, Texas, managing and delivering training to USAF, USN, USMC and civilian students.

While in the USAF, John attended the Texas Peace Officer Training Academy at San Antonio College and earned his full commission as a Texas Peace Officer. John taught basic and advance law enforcement courses for the USAF and was a SME and Master Instructor teaching Instructional Systems Development courses for the USAF.

As a civilian law enforcement professional, he worked at the Hollywood Park Police and Hill Country Village Police Departments in San Antonio, Texas as a patrol officer, detective/investigator and sergeant.

John taught at San Antonio College, Law Enforcement Training Center as the lead instructor for the basic peace officer certification program and taught advanced courses in de-escalation, firearms, tactics, and investigative techniques.

He created a program to train members of the Armed Forces to become certified as Texas Peace Officers. This remote training course was conducted on Lackland AFB and trained more than 200 airmen, marines, sailors, and soldiers who received their commission before discharge from the service.

He relocated to the Washington, D.C. area where he worked as the Director, Law Enforcement Relations at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund and oversaw the fundraising campaign to build the National Law Enforcement Museum.

He recently led a team that created “Connecting Youth & Communities with Law Enforcement (CYCLE)” an innovative program to improve police and youth interactions, which was funded by the DOJ COPS office. John’s degrees include Criminal Justice and Instructional Technology and Military Science. He is married and has three adult children and two grandsons.

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