MICHAEL PARKER is a consultant after 32 years of service with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD), California, the second largest policing agency in the United States, with a county population of ten million residents. He served as patrol commander of over 1,000 sheriff's personnel policing over 750,000 residents from five patrol stations. Prior to retiring from the LASD in 2017, he served as Commander of the Personnel and Training Command. Personnel Bureau included recruitment, testing, background investigations, and hiring. Training Bureau included the Recruit Academy and Advanced Officer Training for 17,000 sworn and civilian sheriff's personnel. In his last two years with the LASD, 1040 sheriff's deputies and 140 police officers graduated the Recruit Training Academy.

Throughout his career, he created and presented certified training to thousands of peace officers from 58 countries, and at over 50 major conferences. He has also published over 100 articles on policing. Just since 2017, he presented at many conferences, including the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), U.S. Department of State and U.S. Department of Justice (USDOJ) International Criminal Investigative Training Assistance Program (ICITAP), Crime Reduction Conference in Brazil, Harvard Law School Labor and Worklife Program, National Sheriffs' Association, Idaho and Minnesota Sheriffs' Associations, and California Association of Public Information Officers.

As a sergeant he was funded by a USDOJ Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) grant. In 1996, the team he led and project he wrote, earned the IACP Webber Seavey Award for community policing. He has provided community policing training to thousands of officers.

While a lieutenant, Parker earned the Correctional Supervisor of Year Finalist Award in 2001 from the International Association of Correctional Officers for his leadership of the new Community Transition Unit and relevant jail training. He performed a key role in training for the expanded transit system. As second-in-command of Internal Affairs Bureau, Parker led investigations of Officer-Involved Shootings and other high profile cases. Beginning in 2006, he created and certified through the California Commission on Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) an 8-hour Internal Investigations course, and taught it to over 2,000 peace officers from hundreds of agencies.

While Captain of Sheriff's Headquarters Bureau, he oversaw all LASD news media relations, internal notifications, and international liaison. In 2010 he created and certified through CA POST a 16-hour course "Social Media – Benefits, Your Cybersecurity and Criminal Investigations," and has taught it to over 1,500 peace officers from over 200 agencies and seven countries.

As a result of his leadership and training in innovative policing efforts, in 2012 Parker received the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) "Community Preparedness Heroes Award," and Honorable Mention for "Innovative Use of Technology." In 2013, he received the White House Community Preparedness and Resilience "Champion of Change."

He speaks Spanish and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance from California State University, Northridge. He is a new Executive Board member of the IACP International Managers of Police Academy and College Training (IMPACT) Section and Executive Board member of the Peace Officers Assn. of Los Angeles County since 2006. He attended California POST Advanced Instructor training. He can be found on LinkedIn at https://www.linkedin.com/in/michaelparkergroup/, https://www.TheParkerGroup.org/, Facebook https://www.instagram.com/mlasd/, and Instagram https://www.instagram.com/mplasd/, sharing training and policing information. He is an International Assn. of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards and Training (IADLEST) Nationally Certified Instructor (INCI). Contact: (323) 813-8055 or michaelegenth/ ParkerGroup.org