

## **Shawn Walker**

Shawn has over 24 years within law enforcement service, is a Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation member, and is a military veteran. He is the Deputy Academy Director with the Bureau of Indian Affairs - Office of Justice Services (BIA-OJS), United States Indian Police Academy (USIPA), in charge of the Advance Training Center (ATC) located in Devils Lake, North Dakota.

Shawn has his Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from Washburn University and a Master of Business Degree in Change Management from Friends University. He is currently working on an Educational Doctoral degree in Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment from Walden University.

Shawn began his law enforcement career in 1996 with the Kickapoo Nation as a tribal police officer and advanced to assistant chief while there. In 1997, he went to work for his tribe, the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation as a tribal police officer and advanced to sergeant. While there, Shawn helped to develop the department from a three-officer operation to 12 tribal police officers and a dispatch center. In 1998, he began his involvement with law enforcement training which started with firearms and later included control tactics. In 1999, Shawn joined the Mission Police Department in the suburbs of Kansas City, Kansas. Then, in 2009, he went to work for DynCorp International as a police mentor in Afghanistan with their Border Police.

In 2012, Shawn became the Chief of Police for the City of Pleasanton, Kansas. While there, he improved the school security program and assisted with the city's airport project. In 2013, Shawn returned to his tribe, the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation, as their Chief of Police. While there, he rebuilt the relationship with the Nation's community, the sheriff department, and the Nation's casino. Plus, he has done missionary missions to Honduras to help deliver law enforcement training at the National Police Academy in Comayagua.

In 2015, Shawn started working as a Regional Coordinator for the State, Local & Tribal Division (SLTD) at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC). He is responsible for exporting FLETC training programs to state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies within his assigned region. Over that time, he covered Native American Nations, Alaska, Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, and Wyoming. Shawn is a Blue Courage Master Instructor and provided instruction for the Blue Courage program to FLETC and Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) instructors.

In 2012, Shawn had retired from the Kansas Army National Guard. He had two tours in Iraq and one in Bosnia & Herzegovina while serving in the National Guard. He was responsible for jet engine maintenance, maintenance operations for 12 aircraft supporting medical operations for the southern half of Iraq, oversaw helicopter recovery operations, and was accountable for over twenty-eight million dollars in parts and equipment related to aircraft operations.

Shawn does provide consulting services and training upon request in the following areas of leadership, control tactics, firearms, physical fitness, and patrol tactics to include reduced light and active shooter tactics, lesson plan development/review, policy development/review, tribal law enforcement relations, and police department development.

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