

Sonia Quiñones, MPA

Career Highlights

- Senior research associate for IIR
- Retired after more than 28 years of law enforcement with the Hallandale Beach, Florida, Police Department
- Experienced subject-matter expert and classroom instructor
- Past President of the National Association of Women Law Enforcement Executives (NAWLEE)
- Human and Civil Rights Committee member for the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP)
- Master of public administration degree from Barry University
- Graduate of the 248th Session of the FBI National Academy (FBINA)
- Graduate of the Police Executive Research Forum Senior Management Institute for Police

Ms. Sonia Quiñones is a senior research associate in the Law Enforcement Safety and Wellness (LESW) group for the Institute for Intergovernmental Research (IIR). LESW is composed of the VALOR Program—a national officer safety project developed at the direction of the U.S. Attorney General—as well as the National Suicide Awareness for Law Enforcement Officers Program and the National Law Enforcement Roadway Safety Program.

Ms. Quiñones served in law enforcement for more than 28 years, 21 of which were in management. Her career began in 1993, as a patrol officer for the Hallandale Beach, Florida, Police Department. She worked her way up through the ranks and was appointed Chief of Police in 2017.

Ms. Quiñones earned her master of public administration degree from Barry University. She is a graduate of the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy (FBINA), Session 248. She retired from the Hallandale Beach Police Department in October 2021.

Ms. Quiñones is the past president of the National Association of Women Law Enforcement Executives (NAWLEE) and a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), Human and Civil Rights Committee.