

Mark J. Strickland

CRI-TAC Project Manager

Since Mark's retirement in 2017, he has been working in the corporate arena. But criminal justice was never far from his heart. Mark has decided to follow his passion through the works of IADLEST. Mark Strickland manages the Collaborative Reform Initiative Technical Assistance Center (CRI-TAC). CRI-TAC provides superior quality technical assistance that provides customized solutions to meet the needs of the law enforcement community. Mark will also provide assistance in grant writing as well as marketing.

Mark began his career in the criminal justice system in 1989 with the North Carolina Probation/Parole division of the North Carolina Department of Correction. In 1996, Mark started working at the North Carolina Justice Academy as an Instructor/Coordinator. During this time, Mark trained and developed curriculum for local confinement facilities, Field Training Officer, Court Security, Leadership, and Instructor Development. In 2006, Mark was promoted to Instructional Support Services Manager.

In 2009, Mark served as Training Manager over the Commission In-service Center. He supervised the day to day activities of training programs which were mandated by both the NC Sheriffs' Training and Standards Commission as well as the NC Criminal Justice Training and Standards Commission.

In 2010, Mark was appointed as the Director of the North Carolina Justice Academy. As Director, I worked with many law enforcement partners and stakeholders on various issues including research, policy making, task analysis, needs assessments for the betterment of law enforcement and their communities. Mark retired from the North Carolina Justice Academy in 2017.

Mark is a graduate of North Carolina State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology with a concentration in Criminal Justice. Mark received his Masters Degree in Justice Administration from Methodist University in 2007.

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