Biography David W. Rider

David W. Rider; 12-10-67

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Austin Independent School District Police Department

David has been employed as a peace officer continuously for the past eighteen years. Fifteen of those years have been served as a supervisor. He has worked for the Kleberg County Sheriff Department (October 1990 – April 1991), the Kingsville Police Department (April 1991 – July 1997), and the Austin ISD Police Department (July 1997 – Present). He was named Kingsville Police Officer of the Year in 1996. During his career he has served as a SWAT team member, a patrol/drug K-9 officer, a Field Training Officer, a Field Training Officer Coordinator, a Firearms Instructor, and a Taser Instructor. He has also served as a member on numerous oral interview boards, a background investigator, and various organizational committees. As a supervisor, he has served as a patrol Corporal, a patrol Sergeant, a K-9 unit supervisor, patrol Lieutenant, special operations Lieutenant, and Captain / Assistant Chief.

David's teaching experience includes in-service training with the Kingsville Police Department, the Austin ISD Police Department, and the Capital Area Planning Counsel (CAPCO) Regional Police Training Academy. He has instructed police officers and police cadets on numerous topics including, but not limited to, Stress Management, Use of Force, Crime Scene Search, High Risk/Low Risk Traffic Stops, Texas Penal Code, Texas Transportation Code, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, Recognition and Prevention of In Custody Deaths, Firearms Proficiency, and Taser certification. David has given police related presentations to various civic groups and school district organizations. David also serves as a faculty member with Axia College of the University of Phoenix and facilitates on-line, college level courses in criminal justice studies.

David earned his B.A. in Psychology from Texas A & I University and his M.S. in Criminal Justice Management from Sam Houston State University. He holds a Master Peace Officer certification, A Mental Health Officer certification, a Standardized Field Sobriety Instructors certification, an Instructor certification, and a Firearms Instructors License from the State of Texas.