

# Law Enforcement Agency Certification

OCJS staff will provide updates and input on the Ohio Collaborative LE Agency certification process. Updates will include the new External User Application designed for agencies to enter their compliance data, updates on standards and compliance requirements, on-site assessments, and updates on other OCJS projects that directly effect LE Agencies.

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Ed began his career in the US Army as a Military Policeman and MP Investigator. He was awarded the Army Commendation Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Overseas Service Ribbon, Soldier of the Month and Soldier of the Year, and is a Desert Storm veteran. His primary duty station was Fort Richardson, Alaska. He served 4 years active duty and 2 years in the reserves.

Ed returned to Ohio and joined the Urbana Police Division. Ed worked as a patrol officer, patrol supervisor, criminal investigator and investigations supervisor. Ed has been an academy level instructor for over 20 years. Ed was appointed as a Subject Matter Expert by the Attorney General for Crisis Intervention Training, and tasked with developing new standards for law enforcement academies and continuing education. Ed received numerous commendations in his career, including the Meritorious Service award. Ed was awarded the Ohio CIT officer of the Year in 2011 by the Ohio Attorney General. He was inducted into the American Police Hall of Fame in 2012 for his actions during a Homicide investigation. Ed retired from the Police Division in 2016 after 24 years of service.

His current position is Deputy Director for the Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS). He is assigned as the Program Administrator for the Ohio Collaborative Law Enforcement Agency Certification program. He is also the Law Enforcement Liaison for OCJS, advising the Executive Director on all LE related issues. He also serves as a Subject matter Expert for law Enforcement grant programs and conducts programmatic monitoring of grants.

Ed holds an Associate degree in Criminal Justice.

A Bachelor's degree in Administration and Organizational Leadership.

And is a graduate of the Northwestern University, Police Staff and Command College.