

John M. Helenberg



John M. Helenberg is currently the Director for the Education, Credentialing & Special Services Division at the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement. John began his law enforcement career with the Harris County Constable's Office Pct. 8 assigned to the patrol division and NASA Astronaut Support. After four and a half years with Harris County, he joined the Nassau Bay Police Department and served as the agency's first patrol K-9 handler until he began working for TCLEOSE as a Field Agent. As a Field Agent he was assigned to the South Texas Field Office in Victoria Texas where he was responsible for conducting agency audits and evaluations, as well as, investigating criminal and administrative law violations in the thirty three counties comprising the South Texas Region. In November 2008, he was promoted to the Agent in Charge of Special Projects and concurrently served as a Special Deputy United States Marshal assigned to the US Marshal's Joint Fugitive Task Force. In 2009, the Field Services Unit, comprised of seven Field Service Agents, was combined with Special Projects to form the Field & Special Services Division.

John's teaching experience began in 1998 with the Clear Creek Independent School District in Clear Lake Texas. During his time as an intermediate school teacher he taught 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students in a variety of subjects including teen leadership. After joining law enforcement he became a Field Training Officer in 2003 and Basic Instructor in 2004 and has since trained law enforcement officers in a variety of courses. He currently holds an Advanced Peace Officer's Certificate and Advanced Instructor's Certificate from TCLEOSE. John is a graduate of the 245th Session of the FBI National Academy, the IACP Police Leadership Course (WestPoint Model), and the FBI Command Institute.

John is a professional member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards and Training (IADLEST), FBI – Law Enforcement Executive Development Association (LEEDA), the Texas Tactical Peace Officer Association (TTPOA), and the Texas Municipal Police Association (TMPA).