

ON-SITE ASSESSMENT TEAM

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Thomas E. Bennett was appointed as Chief of Police for the Suffolk, Virginia Police Department on June 15, 2009. Chief Bennett retired from the Newport News Police Department after twenty-four (24) years of service. He began his career with the Newport News Police Department as an Auxiliary Officer in 1984. Chief Bennett served in the Patrol and Investigations Division prior to promotion as a Supervisor. Chief Bennett served as a Supervisor within the Investigations, Patrol and Vice Narcotics Divisions of the Department. He was promoted through the ranks and retired as Assistant Chief of Police in 2009. Chief Bennett has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminology from St. Leo's College. He received a Masters Degree in Public Administration from Old Dominion University. Bennett is a graduate of the F.B.I.

National Academy, 200th Session. He completed the Senior Management Institute for Police – Police Executive Research Forums 35th Session, United States Secret Service Dignitary Protection School, and is a FEMA PDS Certified Emergency Management Professional. Chief Bennett serves as an Assessor and Team Leader for the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies. He has completed the Leadership Institute for the Peninsula and has been extensively trained in incident command and weapons of mass destruction. Chief Bennett is a subject matter expert in the areas of weapons of mass destruction planning and training, terrorism response plans, sniper response plans, hurricane response plans, community policing, and use of force. Chief Bennett currently serves on the Hampton Roads Regional Academy Criminal Justice Board and Executive Committee, the Hampton Roads Chiefs of Police Association as President and the Suffolk Partnership’s Executive Board. Chief Bennett’s affiliations include the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police, the PELS Alumni Association, the Police Executive Research Forum Alumni Association and the F.B.I. National Academy.

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Lt. Chris Clayton was hired by the CALEA Accredited Garner Police Department in 1993 after graduation from Campbell University with a BA in Government. Lt. Clayton first became interested in CALEA while in college, serving as an intern with the Garner Police Department as the department pursued its initial accreditation which was awarded in 1994. In his career, he has served as a patrol officer and school resource officer, and as a sergeant, he worked as a patrol supervisor, administrative sergeant, and traffic safety team supervisor until his promotion to lieutenant in 2012. Lt. Clayton served as the CID Commander before attending Session #253 of the FBI National Academy in the spring of 2013. Upon his return he was assigned to the Professional Standards Division which included internal affairs, department training, CALEA accreditation, and public information. In 2015 Lt. Clayton was selected as Patrol Commander, where he is currently assigned, supervising the uniformed patrol division of the Garner Police Department. Lt. Clayton is a crash reconstructionist, a fitness and firearms instructor, and a member of the Garner Police Athletics and Activities Board.