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# Brian L Chodrow

## Professional Summary

Strategic forty-year background in the criminal justice and traffic safety fields at the Federal, State and local levels. Served as law enforcement officer, probation and parole officer, hearing officer and investigator. Strong skills in collaboration, preparing technical reports, developing and implementing planning studies. Development of curriculum and training implementation at Federal, State and local levels. Professional and hardworking with extensive knowledge of criminal justice and traffic safety operations.

## Work History

### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration - Automotive Enforcement Specialist | Vehicle Safety

Washington DC

In the Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance (Import and Certification Division), I administered and enforced Federal safety statues and regulations governing the importation of regulated merchandise including, but not limited to, importation, modification and certification of motor vehicles and vehicle equipment.

- Initiated, developed and managed complex investigations of importers of motor vehicles and motor vehicle equipment, registered importers, consumers of imported motor vehicles and motor vehicle equipment, and automotive industry to determine NHTSA regulatory compliance. Detailed, comprehensive reports were created for each investigation to determine whether sufficient evidence merited further enforcement action.
- Created and implemented a comprehensive, extensive knowledge base of Federal laws to withstand judicial scrutiny, governing importation, certification of motor vehicles and motor vehicle equipment, investigative techniques and legal requirements for investigations.
- Provided expertise and insight into industry practices to senior management, and to internal and external partners, regarding importation, sale and transfer of new and used motor vehicles and motor vehicle equipment of registered importers, dealers, distributors and auction houses.
- Collaborated with internal and external partners including US Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security

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## Areas of Expertise

- Alcohol & Other Drugs
- Constitutional Law
- Corrections and Reentry
- Ethics
- Law Enforcement
- Post Sentencing Offender Supervision
- Problem Solving Courts
- Traffic Safety
- Treatment

## Education

### Mississippi College School of Law

Jackson MS

Juris Doctorate | Law

### Pennsylvania State University

University Park PA

Bachelor of Science: Law Enforcement  
And Corrections

### J.Sargent Reynolds Community College

Richmond VA

Computer Programming Courses

### Licensed Attorney

Commonwealth Of Virginia

Investigations, Environmental Protection Agency and Consumer Safety Product Commission.

- Conducted relevant and appropriate in-depth investigations of violations reported externally by agency sources and or suspected internally of NHTSA's import regulations.
- Investigated individuals and entities suspected of importing motor vehicles or motor vehicle equipment that did not comply with applicable Federal motor vehicle safety, bumper, or theft prevention standards, or who were suspected of committing other violations of laws governing importation and or certification of motor vehicle and motor vehicle equipment administered by agency.

### **National Highway Traffic Safety Administration - Program Analyst**

Washington DC

Executed initiatives in project management set forth by the executive and legislative branches of government; coordinated regulatory and legislative reports; conducted research of technologies for delivery of criminal justice services; managed case preparation for litigations; and extensive experience with interpersonal relationships cumulating in creating collaborative relationships with State agencies for the proper identification and adjudication of traffic offenses.

- Developed the NHTSA **Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutors** program, and NHTSA **Driving While Impaired (DWI) Courts**, following the successful drug court model.
- Increased number of Judicial Fellows from 3 to 7.
- As a result of my leadership efforts to include and understand all entities involved, NHTSA changed the approach of enforcement programs from the law enforcement only perspective, to a "systems" wide approach - developing programs with a perspective to view impacts from police, to prosecutors, to the courts.
- Developed and implemented strategies for addressing older drivers and school bus issues.
- Developed and delivered an effective training/education program with specific focus on law enforcement, prosecution and the judiciary, to address criminal justice policy priorities as they pertain to traffic safety needs at national, state, tribal and local levels.
- Maintained close working relationships with senior management and external organization leaders by providing technical and policy guidance in designing educational traffic programs and projects, while assisting clarification and exchange of information.
- Created and Provided agency presentations at state and national workshops, training seminars and conferences.

### **International Association Chiefs Of Police - IACP Management Analyst**

Alexandria VA

Managed the Highway Safety Committee and Speed Measurement Program.

- Supervised staff support for Speed Management program.

- Maintained communication and collaboration between IACP and committee members.
- Maintained communication with speed measurement manufacturers
- Conducted investigations to identify suspicious activities, violations of policies and regulations and potential threats.

#### IACP Y2K Spokesman for Year 2000 Issues in Law Enforcement

- Attended Senior Advisors Group meetings of President's Council on The Year 2000 Conversion.
- Prepared and responded to questions on Y2K for various law enforcement agencies.
- Addressed national law enforcement issues concerning Y2K.

#### **Virginia State Police - Agency Management Lead Analyst**

Richmond VA

- Project Manager in design and development of research, planning studies and analysis.
- Wrote policy of LIDAR policies including drafting language to change Virginia Code to allow use of devices by law enforcement officers. Implemented LIDAR policies.
- Served on Statewide Incident Management Committee with other State agencies that reviewed use of evolving technologies; e.g., drones and other device to manage traffic incidents.
- Interpreted programs, policies and/or procedures designed for effective delivery of state law enforcement services.
- Created and coordinated regulations, legislation and legislative studies for publication.
- Evaluated law enforcement equipment to determine possible usage and cost effectiveness to agency. Procured equipment.
- Evaluated Total Station crash management systems and wrote the grant to obtain equipment.
- Collaborated with Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) on Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) issues including designing projects related to traffic management. This effort resulted in creation of **Statewide Incident Management Committee** that included highway, law enforcement, EMS, towing and recovery and other elements of incident management.
- Collaborated closely with VDOT on variable message signage, statute development, revision and other traffic management issue projects. Researched, created and implemented drug testing policy for Virginia State Police. VSP was first agency in Commonwealth of Virginia to have such policy. Research included standards for drug testing and standards needed to meet testing levels for (5) key drugs.

#### **Virginia Department Of Corrections - Data Collections Coordinator**

Richmond VA

- Coordinated statewide data collection on probationers and parolees for Parole Release Unit.
- Served as preliminary parole revocation hearing examiner. Applied legal precedents, rules of evidence, criminal statutes and interviews of

parolees to alleged violations of parole.

### **Virginia Office Of Attorney General - Legal Assistant**

Richmond VA

- Worked closely with assigned attorneys in preparation of hearings pertaining to regulation of health professions.
- Prosecuted cases before Regulatory Boards.
- Assisted in development and implementation of new case management system for criminal cases. This system was precursor to legal databases know as Lexis and Westlaw.
- Prepared investigative reports, legal briefs, correspondence and other document to support findings and recommendations related to prosecution of administrative and regulatory cases.

### **Virginia Department Of Corrections - Probation And Parole Officer**

Richmond VA

- Counseled a caseload of approximately (80) felons.
- Participated in the development of treatment plans.
- Managed investigations for the Department of Corrections and courts, including preliminary sentencing reports, post-conviction reports, furlough investigations and drug testing follow-up.
- Testified before judges and hearing officers concerning violations of probation and parole.
- Demonstrated application of criminal statues and worked with prosecutors.
- Conducted investigations, interviewed witnesses and victims.
- Named one of the first investigators for the Virginia Department of Corrections relating to review of furlough and post-release investigations.

### **Virginia Commonwealth University - Law Enforcement**

Richmond, VA

- Served as sworn law enforcement officer on VCU University's 2 urban campuses.
- Developed and managed investigations relating to criminal activity of adult and juvenile offenders, including both felonies, misdemeanors.
- Implemented legal precedents, Rules of Evidence, and legal limitations on conduct of investigations.
- Testified before juries, judges and magistrates.
- Interviewed witnesses and victims for information and clarification.