

## CURRICULUM VITAE

**Name:**

**Louis M. Dekmar**

**Occupation:  
Chief of Police**

**Company:  
LaGrange, Georgia  
Police Department**

**Country: USA**



### EDUCATION

He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Administration of Justice from the University of Wyoming and a Master's degree in Public Administration from Georgia College and State University. He is also an adjunct professor for several colleges and institutions.

## EXPERIENCES

Chief Louis M. Dekmar's 48-year law enforcement career ranges from law enforcement specialist (USAF), police officer and detective to division commander to 30-years as Chief of Police. He has served as Chief of Police and Chief of Public Safety for the City of Lagrange (GA) since 1995. Before that appointment he served four years as police chief for the City of Morrow, GA which is in the Atlanta-Metro area; he has also served as captain, detective, investigator, and FTO. Chief Dekmar served ten years in law enforcement in Wyoming before moving to Georgia. He served four years in the United States Air Force.

Chief Dekmar is Past-President of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and Past President and Chair of the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA), having served in that role five of his ten years on the Commission. He is Past-President of the Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police. Chief Dekmar is a member of the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement, Executives, and FBINA (142<sup>nd</sup>). In 2004, he was selected as the delegation leader for the Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange (GILEE) that traveled to Israel for a two-week training exchange with the Israel National Police, and is currently a Board Member for GILEE.

He is a former Council Member for the Georgia Peace Officer's Standards and Council, serving on the Probable Cause Committee; and a past member of the Georgia Board of Public Safety, which provides policy oversight for the Georgia State Patrol, Georgia Bureau of Investigation, and the Georgia Public Safety Training Center; he has also served as a Federal Monitor for the US Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division.

Chief Dekmar is an international presenter for police leaders and elected officials on a range of topics involving leadership, ethics, law enforcement management and liability issues and has provided over numerous training programs to police chiefs, elected officials, and other law enforcement personnel in over 20 states and several countries. In 2014 he appeared in Oslo, Norway and addressed the United Nations Police on the topic of international law enforcement standards.\

Chief Dekmar received an Honorary Doctorate Degrees from Central Police University, Taipei, Taiwan, and LaGrange College, LaGrange, Georgia; First Annual Hope Givers' Award; National Council for Behavioral Health's Visionary Leadership Award for an international initiative involving the police response to mental illness; National Constables and Marshalls Association's "Service Above and Beyond" Award; ADL-Kay Family Award (Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts) and Elected Prosecutor's "Headlight Award" for Racial Trust Building, NOBLE's Robert Lamb Humanitarian Award and the Troup County NAACP Leadership Award; CALEA Egon Bittner Award; Georgia Governor's Award for Life-Time Achievement and Contribution to the Law Enforcement Profession; LaGrange College Servant-Leadership Award; Georgia Outstanding Police Chief of the Year; Police Officer of the Year Award; and the Police Valor Medal for Bravery.