

## Jody O'Guinn Bio



I am a retired police chief from Carbondale, Illinois. I began my law enforcement career in 1983 as a patrol officer for the Freeburg, Illinois, Police Department; I transitioned to the Alton, Illinois, Police Department in 1987. During my tenure at the Alton Police Department, I was fortunate to hold various positions. I gained valuable experience as a field training officer, detective, traffic officer, SWAT team member, Sniper team leader, and undercover narcotics officer for the Alton Police Department, the State of Illinois Drug Task Force, and the D.E.A. Task Force. I was also the SWAT team commander for the Alton Police

Department and commanded a Regional W.M.D. Special Response Team through the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS).

Promoted through the ranks, I retired from the Alton Police Department at the rank of Deputy Chief in 2009 after accepting the position of Police Chief for the City of Carbondale, Illinois Police Department. I left the Carbondale Police Department in 2014, after 31 years in law enforcement, to pursue other ventures. I have extensive tactical training and experience and have held several positions on regulatory, training, and policy boards within the State of Illinois. My latest board appointment was by the Governor of the State of Illinois to the Taser and Use of Force Advisory Committee.

In addition to being an In-Service Trainer for over 20 years, I have over fifteen years of experience as an Adjunct Professor for Missouri Baptist University, developing curriculum and teaching criminal justice courses, and have been an adjunct faculty member for Lewis & Clark Community College, John A. Logan College, Southern Illinois University and the Department of Homeland Security.

As an instructional designer, I have the distinction of creating the world's first board-certified cryptocurrency forensic investigator course. I also hold instructor status for numerous disciplines, including firearms instruction, use of force instruction, NIMS, Weapons of Mass Destruction General Instruction, H&K MP5 Sub-machine gun Instructor, and countless other law enforcement-related areas of instruction. I also hold Digital Voice Stress Analysis, Investigative Discourse Analysis, Certified Firefighter II, and Medicolegal Death Investigation certifications. I have instructed thousands of officers across the nation.

I am a native Illinoisan currently living with my wife Erin in Atlanta, GA. I have a full head of hair, occasionally enjoy a good Old Fashioned, and know my way around a nice box of red wine. I graduated college with a G.P.A., sitting in the meaty part of the bell curve, not lagging behind, but not trying to show off either. I am an avid outdoorsman and enjoy traveling, camping, shooting sports, and riding my Harley. Golf is my game now. I'm long off the tee but can't putt worth a damn.

### EDUCATION & CREDENTIALS

LEEDS: F.B.I. Academy, Quantico, VA, 2010

FBINA: F.B.I. Academy, Graduate of 223rd Session, Quantico, VA, 2005

Medicolegal Death Investigator - St. Louis University School of Medicine

M.P.A., (Public Administration & Policy Analysis), Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, IL, 2002

B.S., (Police Science) Sterling University, Sterling KS, 1998

A.A.S., (Criminal Justice) Lewis & Clark Community College, Godfrey, IL, 1996