

# GARY FOLGER

## PERSONAL PROFILE

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- ◆ Born and raised, lifelong Alaskan and Athabascan member of Ahtna, Inc.
- ◆ Married for 30 years to Patricia L. Folger with three grown children and one granddaughter
- ◆ Interests include family activities, fishing, hunting, and snowmobiling

## WORK HISTORY

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01/09/2014 - present	Commissioner <i>Alaska Department of Public Safety</i>	Anchorage, AK
03/2007 - 05/2013	Director/Colonel, Division of Alaska Wildlife Troopers <i>Alaska Department of Public Safety</i>	Anchorage, AK
07/2001 - 03/2007	Detachment Commander, Division of Alaska Wildlife Troopers <i>Alaska Department of Public Safety</i>	Fairbanks, AK
08/1998 - 07/2001	Detachment Commander, Division of Fish & Wildlife Protection <i>Alaska Department of Public Safety</i>	Juneau, AK
04/1995 - 08/1998	Corporal/Sergeant, Division of Fish & Wildlife Protection <i>Alaska Department of Public Safety</i>	King Salmon, AK
12/1981 - 04/1995	Trooper, Division of Fish & Wildlife Protection <i>Alaska Department of Public Safety</i>	Fairbanks, AK
08/1981 - 12/1981	Trooper Recruit, Division of Fish & Wildlife Protection <i>Alaska Department of Public Safety</i>	Sitka, AK
1979 - 1981 (seasonal)	Fish & Wildlife Technician, Division of Fish & Wildlife Protection <i>Alaska Department of Public Safety</i>	King Salmon, AK Bethel, AK Talkeetna, AK
1977 - 1978	Heavy Equipment Operator/TAPS	Prudhoe Bay, AK

## CAREER-SPECIFIC TRAINING AND CERTIFICATIONS

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- ◆ FBI National Academy (2001)
- ◆ University of Virginia Management Course (2001)
- ◆ Basic and Advanced Police Certificate, Alaska Police Standards Council
- ◆ Private Pilot's License - single engine land/sea with complex and tail wheel endorsement (approx. 2,500 hours) (1990 - 2007)
- ◆ Marine Vessel Operator Certificate - 50 foot class or less (1981 - 2007)
- ◆ Special Emergency Reaction Team (SERT) Member (1983-1991)
- ◆ Public Safety Training Academy (1981)

## AWARDS

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- ◆ Fish & Wildlife Protection Division Supervisor of the Year (2003)
- ◆ Fish & Wildlife Protection Division Trooper of the Year (1985)
- ◆ Shikar-Safari Wildlife Trooper of the Year (1985)

## EDUCATION

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| ◆ Sheldon Jackson College, Sitka, AK            | Undergraduate courses |
| ◆ University of Alaska Fairbanks, Fairbanks, AK | Undergraduate courses |
| ◆ Victory High School, Palmer, AK               | Diploma (1977)        |

## SUMMATION

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My 32 years of service with the Department of Public Safety has afforded me the opportunity to travel to every part of Alaska and to witness first-hand the uniqueness of its geography and people, and to experience every aspects of the public safety mission. I have fostered lasting relationships in communities throughout our great state and will continue to do so with all Alaskans, their cultures, and social issues.

My passion to serve the people was instilled at an early age, and it is an honor and privilege to be able to continue my service to the people of Alaska as Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety and help ensure safe and strong communities.