

Richard L. Burton

**Public Safety Consultant: 1995 - Present**

Owner and principal consultant of business of management audits, background investigations, internal affairs, administrative investigations, locating and providing temporary personnel, recruit selection and all services relative to operating and managing police or public safety agencies.

**Commissioner of Public Safety: 1991 - 1995 State of Alaska, Department of Public Safety**

Chief administrator of all state public safety functions. Responsible for budget in excess of \$100 million and over 900 employees. Functions included the Divisions of State Troopers, Fish and Wildlife Protection, Motor Vehicles, Fire Prevention, and Administrative Services. Related functions included State Training Academy, State Crime Lab, Highway Safety Planning, and Police Standards Council.

**Burton & Associates 1988 - 1990**

Started Public Safety Management consulting business. Stopped in 1991 to accept appointment by Governor as Commissioner of Public Safety.

**Alaska Security, Inc. 1985 - 1988**

President and co-owner of a full service security and armored car company. Started the company with 1 employee and built it to over 100 employees and 3 armored vehicles.

**Private Consultant 1983 - 1985**

Consultant to various law firms on issues related to lawsuits involving police practices and procedures.

**Justice Services Administrator 1981 - 1982 Warm Springs Indian Reservation, Warm Springs, Oregon** Chief Administrator for all law enforcement including criminal laws and natural resource protection. Administered the operation of the tribal prosecutor, legal aides, and the tribal jail.

**Police Specialist/planner 1979 - 1980 U.S. Dept. of Justice, Criminal Justice Planning Agency**

Under contract worked with the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands at Saipan. Provided technical assistance in Public Safety management and operations. This included manpower allocation, training, job description and reporting development and instituting basic police practices. Restructured employee compensation benefits, management training and policies and procedures.

**Commissioner of Public Safety 1975 - 1979 State of Alaska, Department of Public Safety**

First appointment as Commissioner and Chief Administrator of State Public Safety functions including the State Troopers, Fish & Wildlife Protection, DMV, State Fire Marshal, Training Academy and enforcement of all state criminal laws.

**Chief of Police 1973 - 1974 City and Borough of Juneau, Alaska**

Administrator over all municipal police functions, provided law enforcement within the cities of Juneau and Douglas, Alaska.

#### **Public Safety Advisor 1971 – 1973 U.S. State Department, AID, Republic of South Vietnam**

Consulted and trained Provincial Police Command in implementation of modern management principles. Command consisted of 1 Province and 7 District police stations and corrections centers with 1,800 police personnel. Corrections centers exceeded 1,000 inmates. Coordinated emergency procedures to react to terrorist activities against the civilian population.

#### **Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain 1959 – 1971 Alaska Department of Public Safety, Alaska State Troopers**

Joined the Alaska State Troopers following 4 years as a city police officer in Ketchikan and Fairbanks. Served in all ranks and was assigned to remote outposts, as detachment patrol supervisor, detachment commander and regional commander as lieutenant and captain. In 1967 was assigned as Chief of Security for the Office of the Governor and created first Governor's security.

### **Professional Affiliations**

**DELEGATION LEADER**, to Khabarovsk, Russia in September 1991. Professional visit to establish relationship with the Far East Russian Militia for information exchange on criminal activity between Russia and Alaska. In 1993 was a member of an international delegation of law enforcement officials to visit with Russian Militia Officials in Moscow and St. Petersburg. In 1994 lead third delegation to Magadan in the Russian Far East and established intelligence network capability between the Militia and the Alaska State Troopers.

In April 1994 was selected as a member to be the guest of the Turkish Government at an international meeting of 31 countries in a first of its kind meeting to discuss international extradition's, drug trafficking and related mutual criminal activity.

**GENERAL CHAIRMAN**, of the Division of State and Provincial Police of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, 1977 - 1978. Traveled extensively throughout the U.S. and Canada, meeting with Chief Administrators of major law enforcement agencies, members of Congress and heads of federal and state departments and agencies. Member National Highway Committee 1991-1995.

**PAST PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT**, of the Alaska Chiefs of Police Association. Served on legislative committees related to statewide criminal justice issues.

**LIFE MEMBER**, of the International Chiefs of Police, Alaska Chiefs of Police and the Alaska Peace Officers Association.

**MEMBER**, Alumni of the University of Louisville, Southern Police Institute.