



## Chief Larry Kirk (Ret.) Old Monroe Police Department, Missouri Old Monroe, MO

Larry Kirk was the Chief of Police for a department in Illinois and, most recently, a small town in Missouri. Since 1993, he has worked on patrol, special crimes units, gang suppression, jurisdictional narcotics task forces.. He has been recognized for his work in drug and gang investigations by the D.E.A., Gulf States High Intensity Trafficking Area, the U.S. Air Force, and the Department of Justice.

Chief Kirk is particularly bothered by the recent militarization of police

departments, which he believes has put law enforcement in violent confrontations with ordinary citizens and made the public distrusting of the police.

Kirk holds undergraduate degrees from the University of Mississippi and Charter Oak State College in Connecticut and a Master's degree in Criminal Justice from Fort Hays State University. In addition to his position as police chief, he is a certified police academy instructor and has served locally as an adjunct faculty member.

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