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**Superintendent Richard Van Wickler (Ret.)**  
**Cheshire County Department of Corrections**  
**Keene, NH**  
**Executive Board Chair**

Richard Van Wickler (Ret.) began his law enforcement career in 1987 and served as the Superintendent of the Cheshire County Department of Corrections in New Hampshire from 1993 to 2019. Van Wickler is a former adjunct professor of American Corrections at Keene State College, where he taught for 14 years.

Van Wickler spent 26 years in the US Army and retired in 2006. He was a senior instructor for Army ROTC at the University of New Hampshire and retired as a course manager for the New Hampshire Military Academy. He has participated in discussions about international drug policy reform at the United Nations and has testified before the New Hampshire legislature on several occasions.

Van Wickler holds a BS in Management from Franklin Pierce University and is a co-recipient of the President's Community Partner Award from Antioch University Graduate School. He was selected as Correctional Superintendent of the Year in 1997 and 2011. He received New Hampshire's Profile Service Award for his many contributions to County Government in 2009. Van Wickler sits on the board of the New Hampshire chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union and in 2023 became Board Chair of the Law Enforcement Action Partnership.

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