

Chief Robert Hoffman (Ret.) Plainfield Police Department, Connecticut Ocala, FL

Chief Robert Hoffman began his three-decade law enforcement career in 1987 as a patrolman in the Plainfield Police Department in Connecticut. Hoffman rose through the ranks of the department, becoming sergeant in 1990, deputy chief in 1999, and chief in 2007.

Some of Hoffman's primary responsibilities as a patrol officer included conducting investigations and later approving arrest and search warrants as a sergeant. As deputy chief, his roles expanded to include internal affairs officer, community liaison officer, recruiting officer, training officer, public information officer, and a P.O.S.T. Certified Firearms Instructor. As community liaison

officer, Hoffman helped facilitate discussions and meetings with local schools on race and equal treatment under the law.

Hoffman is a graduate of the F.B.I. National Academy 204th Session in 2001, where he received training in areas such as investigative psychology, interview and interrogation, and forensic science. In 2004, Hoffman was the recipient of the U.S. Attorney's Award for Excellence in Investigation for his role in uncovering environmental crimes by local officials. Hoffman's tenure as Chief was also notable for his focus on transparency and accountability, instructing his officers to keep arrest logs public and accessible.

Chief Hoffman retired from the Plainfield Police Department in 2012. He currently resides in Ocala, Florida.

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