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Dr. Michael Gilbert began his career in law enforcement in 1970 as an education officer in the U.S. Army. He served for five years and held positions including Executive Officer, Commander of the 172nd Direct Support Detachment, and Assistant Director of Personnel and Community Activities.

In 1976, Dr. Gilbert joined the State of Alaska Division of Corrections as a Corrections Staff Development and Training Officer and would go on to design training programs for entry level, supervisory, and management positions in both adult and juvenile correctional facilities. In 1982, he worked as an administrator for the Arizona Department of Corrections and was responsible for staff training and offender education.

Dr. Gilbert later worked in the private sector as a consultant for various federal, state, and local correctional agencies before transitioning to a career in academia. From 1991 to 2017, he taught numerous criminal justice courses at the University of Texas, San Antonio, including Violence and Drugs, Corrections Theory and Practice, Drug Crimes, and Criminal Justice Policy Making.

Dr. Gilbert holds an B.A. in Zoology, an M.A. in Teaching, and a Ph.D. in Public Administration. He is the author of the book *Privatization in Criminal Justice: Past, Present and Future*, an exploration into the effects of privatization in the criminal justice system. He is currently the Executive Director of the National Association of Community and Restorative Justice and resides in San Antonio, Texas.

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