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Mark Spawn served in the Fulton Police Department for 24 years, rising through the ranks from uniformed patrol officer, detective, then as Chief of Police for twelve years. Spawn's tenure as Chief was marked by enhanced investigations into sex crimes, the development of an Evidence Response Team, new community policing initiatives, and increased transparency.

Spawn was a member of the Child Abuse Task Force, the Child Fatality Review Team, and also served on the board of directors for the Child Advocacy Center. He was a member of a Terrorism Task Force in the wake of the Columbine shootings, which evolved into a regular forum for members of

the community to engage with the police department to improve transparency and strengthen relationships with the community. He developed a course on Freedom of Information Laws to instruct department staff on the release and management of information to the public, and served as an instructor at the New York State Academy of Fire Science.

Spawn is a graduate of the F.B.I. National Academy and is an expert on fingerprint evidence in fire investigations. Upon retiring from police work, he served as Director of Research, Development and Training for the New York State Association of Chiefs of Police from 2008 to 2011. He has produced a variety of audio and video productions on police-related topics such as sex offender management, syringe exchange programs, ignition interlock devices, missing children, and managing sex offenders in the community. Spawn currently manages his own law enforcement consulting firm and resides in Costa Mesa, California.

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