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Officer Ernest Stevens (Ret.) San Antonio Police Department Universal City, TX

Officer Ernest Stevens began his career as a police officer with the Terrell Hills Police Department in 1992. In this position, his duties included traffic enforcement, evidence collection, and crime investigation.

In 1994, Officer Stevens joined the San Antonio Police Department.

Officer Stevens instructed both Crisis Intervention training and
Resiliency training, and completed the FBI's negotiator course. He

also worked on a DWI Enforcement Task Force and the Tactical Response Unit. After more than 25 years in law enforcement, Officer Stevens retired in 2021. Shortly after, he became a US Navy instructor for all aspects of law enforcement, Uniform Code Military Justice, and wellness.

Officer Stevens earned a Bachelors in criminal justice from Wayland Baptist University. Ernest Stevens received two Community Champion awards from The Center for Health Services and Baptist Health Ministries for his impacts advocating for the mental health community at large. He subsequently received the Justice Policy Innovator Award for pioneering improved mental health programs. Stevens currently serves as the Deputy Division Director at the Council of State Governments Justice Center and is responsible for overseeing the law enforcement team.

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