



Table 5: Police-Community Relations

ALVIN J. LACABE, JR.

Mr. LaCabe is the Manager of Safety for the City and County of Denver. He was appointed to that position in August 2003 by Mayor John Hickenlooper. As Manager of Safety, Mr. LaCabe is the civilian head of the Denver Police Department, the Denver Fire Department and the Denver Sheriff Department, which together employ approximately 3600 officers and civilians.

Mr. LaCabe is a 1979 graduate of the University of Denver College of Law. Prior to graduating he served as a member of the United States Marine Corps, was a patrol officer and detective with the New Orleans Police Department, a criminal investigator with the Denver District Attorney's Office and an agent of the Colorado Bureau of Investigation.

Since graduating Mr. LaCabe has served as a Deputy and Chief Deputy District Attorney in Denver, an Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Colorado and Of Counsel with the law firm of Davis, Graham and Stubbs.

Mr. LaCabe has had a distinguished career as a trial lawyer and has taught trial tactics at forums across the United States. He is currently an adjunct instructor at the University of Denver College of Law teaching criminal trial practice.

GERALD WHITMAN

Chief Gerald Whitman first served as a police officer in 1976 in Ames, Iowa. From 1978-1982, he served as a Police Agent for the City of Lakewood. In 1982, he became a Denver Police Officer moving up the ranks from Patrol Officer, Field Training Officer, Sergeant and Lieutenant. In January 1995, he was named Captain of District 6, Denver's newest police district that represents Capitol Hill and Downtown Denver. In 1998, he was named Division Chief of Patrol and oversaw all uniformed patrol operations. In 2000, the Mayor named him as the Chief of Police.

Chief Whitman holds a Bachelor of Science Degree In Law Enforcement Administration with a Minor in Sociology. Chief Whitman completed his Masters Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Colorado at Denver. He has also completed numerous specialized law enforcement training courses.