

## James Fyfe, Ph.D

James Fyfe has been the New York City Police Department's Deputy Commissioner for Training since May 2002. He is responsible for administering all training for the NYPD's 51,000 sworn and civilian employees, and has led the first major revision of the NYPD's recruit curriculum in 30 years. He holds a B.S. (1971) and an honorary doctorate of laws (1999) from John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York, and M.A. (1972) and Ph.D. (1978) degrees in criminal justice from the State University of New York at Albany.

Fyfe is on leave from John Jay College, where he is a distinguished professor. He previously was on the faculties of Temple University (1992-2002) and American University (1979-1992). He was a commissioner of the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (1989-1997); a senior fellow of the Police Foundation (1979-1988); a member of the District of Columbia Select Committee on Fiscal and Budget Priorities (1989-1991); a member and chair (1991-1995) of the selection committee for the United Kingdom Police Fulbright Fellowship program; and a visiting professor at the School of Police Studies at Charles Sturt University in Australia (2001).

Fyfe has published seven books and more than 80 articles and book chapters on police and criminal justice matter, and was the editor of *Justice Quarterly*. He has served on the editorial boards of *Criminal Justice*, *Criminal Law Bulletin*, *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*, *Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency*, and *Justice Quarterly*. Fyfe has testified as a police practices expert in the United States Senate and Congress and in federal and state courts in the District of Columbia, 38 states, and Canada. Among the notable cases in which he has consulted and/or testified is *Tennessee v. Garner*, in which the U.S. Supreme Court cited his work in ruling unconstitutional the "fleeing felon" rule; *Thurman v. Torrington*, the first case in which a federal court agreed that an abused spouse had been denied equal protection of law by police who failed to respond to her repeated requests for assistance; and in successful civil rights litigation emanating from Jeffrey Dahmer's serial killings in Milwaukee and the Philadelphia police MOVE bombing, which killed 11 people and destroyed 61 homes. He testified as the police practices expert for the defense in *New Jersey v. Soto*, the case that proved racial profiling on the New Jersey Turnpike; and in *New York v. Boss, et al.*, the criminal case against the four New York City police officers acquitted of murder charges in the Amadou Diallo tragedy. He was the federal government's police expert in the successful prosecution of the officers who beat Rodney King. He has consulted on police and criminal justice matters with several divisions of the U.S. Justice Department and with state and local governments across the country. He currently serves on the American Bar Association Innocence Committee and on the Police Working Group of the United States Department of Justice's Office of Justice Programs.

Fyfe was a New York City police officer, sergeant, and lieutenant during 1963-1979, and earned seven Department citations while working on patrol in Brooklyn, Manhattan, and Queens. He was the first Chairman of the Police Academy's Police Science Department, Commander of the Management Training Unit; and was the founding coordinator of NYPD's Executive Development Program.