

John Timoney

John Timoney was appointed Chief of Police of the Miami Police Department on January 2, 2003, after serving one year as Chief Executive Officer for Beau Dietl & Associates, an international private investigation and security company. Prior to joining BDA, he served four years as the Police Commissioner of the Philadelphia Police Department. He commanded a diverse police force of approximately 7,000 officers and over 900 civilian employees in the 5th largest metropolitan city in the United States. He brings with him a wealth of experience in law enforcement, an extensive educational background and the law enforcement managerial initiatives, which he spearheaded in the New York City Police Department. His talent, his knowledge and experience revitalized the Philadelphia Police Department through innovative changes that bolstered professionalism, employee morale, productivity and the relationship with the citizens of Philadelphia.

Mr. Timoney has had an extensive and distinguished law enforcement career that began on July 15, 1969 when he joined the ranks of the New York City Police Department. As a rookie police officer, he was assigned to the 44th Precinct and in 1977 was transferred to the Narcotics Division where he worked as a narcotics investigator. He served in a variety of assignments within the New York City Police Department, including various precincts, the Organized Crime Control Bureau, Chief of Department's Office, Investigation and Review Section and the Office of Management, Analysis and Planning.

He is the recipient of over 65 Department Medals, including the prestigious Medal of Valor. Mr. Timoney rapidly rose through the ranks of the New York Police Department beginning with a promotion to the rank of Sergeant in 1980. His career progressed with a promotion to Lieutenant in 1983, Captain in 1985, Deputy Inspector in 1988, Inspector in 1990, Deputy Chief in 1992 and Chief of Department in 1994. Mr. Timoney was the youngest person in New York City history to hold the "four star" position of Chief of Department.

Recognized for his leadership and operational expertise, Mr. Timoney was appointed First Deputy Commissioner on January 13, 1995, the second highest rank in the New York City Police Department. As First Deputy Commissioner of the New York Police Department, his hallmark accomplishment was the reorganization of the Department including the merger of the New York Police Department with the Transit & Housing Police Departments resulting in a unified City Police Department of 39,000 officers and 9,000 civilian employees.