

THE PRESIDENT'S TASK FORCE ON 21ST CENTURY POLICING

Sean Whent

Chief Sean Whent joined the Oakland Police Department in 1994. During his career, he worked in the Patrol Division, Support Operations Division, Criminal Investigations Division, Internal Affairs Division and the Office of Inspector General. He has also served as a Field Training Officer and an instructor in the Police Academy.

In 2012, he was promoted to the rank of Deputy Chief and assigned to the Bureau of Risk Management. In May of 2013, he was appointed as the Interim Police Chief upon the sudden retirement of the chief. On May 14, 2014 he was appointed as the Chief of Police for the Oakland Police Department.

Chief Whent has attended the Senior Management Institute for Police. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice Administration from California State University East Bay and a Master's Degree in Criminology, Law and Society from the University of California at Irvine.