

Biography

Dr. Gary Sykes
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Formerly, *Dr. Gary Sykes* served for over fifteen years as Vice President, The Center for American and International Law and Director, Institute for Law Enforcement Administration located in the Dallas, Texas, Metropolitan

Educational Background:

He holds a Bachelors Degree, a Masters Degree, and a Ph.D. from The Pennsylvania State University in political science. He also received a Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Criminology to the University of Virginia in 1977. He served on the faculties of Berea College (1973-78), the University of Wisconsin-Superior (1978-81), the University of Louisville (1981-89), Penn State University as a Graduate Teaching Fellow, and has been an invited lecturer at numerous colleges, universities and professional conferences. He resigned as a professor in the College of Urban and Public Affairs at the University of Louisville to assume his duties as director of the Institute in Dallas. While teaching at the University of Wisconsin in Superior, he became a sworn police officer in the city of Superior and worked for a year in that capacity.

Publications:

He has conducted funded research projects for the Bureau of Justice Statistics, U.S. Department of Justice; has authored numerous articles in professional journals; has written several chapters in police administration textbooks, has been appointed to several editorial boards of professional journals, has been elected Executive Counselor to the Police Section in the American Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, and has served as consultant to many law enforcement agencies including the F.B.I., the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Education. He currently serves on the Futures Working Group of the FBI and Police Futurists International.

Current Activities

In 1992, with the support of a \$600,000 grant from the Meadows Foundation, he helped to establish the internationally-known Center for Law Enforcement Ethics at the Institute for Law Enforcement Administration. He also teaches course, seminars and workshops on administration and management in law enforcement and works with many major city agencies in a consulting capacity. He is quoted and interviewed regularly by the national media on criminal justice- and law enforcement-related topics, including NBC News, *USA Today, Weekend USA*, *The New York Times* and NPR.

Personal Background

Married to Bonnie Herhold-Sykes for over forty years, he has three adult children, Todd, who lives in Erie, PA, Chad, who lives in Louisville, KY and Arica, who lives in Seattle, WA. Gary and Bonnie have three grandchildren in Louisville, Amie, Sean and Ashley.