

JEFFREY SILK

Lieutenant Jeffrey A. Silk joined the Saline County Sheriff's Office in March 2015. His focus is on supporting Special Projects, including: (1) professional development; (2) community outreach; (3) finance and; (4) the Internal Affairs Section.

Lieutenant Silk retired from Government service in 2014. He has senior leadership experience, spanning over 30 years in Federal, state and local law enforcement. His most recent assignment was Assistant Special Agent Charge for the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) assigned to Bangkok, Thailand.

From 1985 to 2014, Lieutenant Silk received several promotions and served in a number of progressively challenging assignments. Lieutenant Silk began his law enforcement career as uniformed patrolman in Baltimore and was later elevated to detective. For 10 years, he was assigned to the Baltimore City Police Homicide Unit, where he spearheaded investigations against violent drug gangs. After attending Mandarin Chinese language training, Lieutenant Silk was posted to the People's Republic of China where he remained for three years. He was promoted and transferred to the western Pacific where he supervised investigations focusing on Asian Organized Crime. At the conclusion of that assignment, he was assigned to New York City where he supervised the Southeast Asian Heroin Task Force.

Lieutenant Silk was then transferred to Washington D.C. where he oversaw the Witness Security Program for the DEA. Lieutenant Silk was again promoted and transferred to Afghanistan in support of *Operation Enduring Freedom*. While assigned to International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) Headquarters in Kabul, Afghanistan, Lieutenant Silk conducted briefings for the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense, four-star flag officers, Ambassadors, U.S. Senators and Congressmen. He also led specially trained and equipped host nation counterparts and DEA Special Agents on paramilitary drug enforcement operations.

After retiring, Lieutenant Silk was hired as a Specialist with the international law firm of Baker Botts L.L.C. His focus was on investigative strategies, logistics, training and security related matters.

Lieutenant Silk has extensive operational experience in foreign environments, including Hong Kong, the People's Republic of China, Taiwan, Afghanistan, Thailand, the western Pacific and a variety of other locations. Lieutenant Silk has developed, taught and managed a variety

of narcotics, counterterrorism, diplomatic security, tactical and crisis response training programs for military and law enforcement units from the U.S. and allied nations. He is a talented professional with a strong skill set in investigations, operations, leadership, management and training. He speaks Mandarin and can converse in Thai.