

THE PRESIDENT'S TASK FORCE ON 21ST CENTURY POLICING

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David C. Friedman is the Anti-Defamation League's Washington, D.C. Regional Director and serves as ADL's Director of National Law Enforcement Initiatives.

David has helped create a number of significant national and local law enforcement programs. These include: ***Law Enforcement and Society***, a joint program of the Anti-Defamation League and the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, created at the request of Washington, DC's police chief, Charles H. Ramsey, which has trained more than 95,000 law enforcement professionals and is a required part of training for all FBI New Agents; ***ADL's Advanced Training School***™, a counter-terrorism training program that has trained more than 950 federal, state and local police commanders throughout the nation; ***ADL's National Counter-Terrorism Seminar***, a program which enables American law enforcement leaders to learn counter-terrorism strategies and tactics from their counterparts in the Israel Police and security forces; ***The District of Columbia Bias Crimes Task Force***, a coalition of law enforcement and community organizations focused on preventing hate crimes, which David co-founded with then U.S. Attorney Eric H. Holder, Jr. The Task Force was the model for the Hate Crime Task Forces established by the U.S. Department of Justice throughout the country. From 2011-14, David headed the ***Hate Crimes Assessment Task Force***, which he organized at the request of Cathy L. Lanier, Chief of Police of the DC Metropolitan Police Department, to improve the police department's handling of hate crimes, particularly those targeting the LGBT community. David is also one of ADL's most experienced trainers, and has trained more than 65,000 law enforcement personnel on subjects ranging from hate crimes and core values to counter-terrorism and leadership.

David joined the staff of the ADL in 1985 as an Assistant Director in the Washington, D.C. Regional Office. In 1986, he was promoted to Regional Director of the League's newly opened Northern Ohio Regional Office based in Cleveland. Two years later, he returned to the District of Columbia as the Washington, DC Regional Director. In July 2001 he was appointed director of League's national law enforcement initiatives. David is the recipient of ADL's highest award, the Milton A. Senn Award for Professional Excellence.

Born and raised in New York City, David received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Brandeis University and has Masters of Arts degrees from Columbia University. David and his wife, Patti, an educator, have been married for thirty-eight years. They have two children, Sylvie, a marketing executive in Washington, DC, and Jack, a chef in San Francisco, and two Chinooks, a breed of sled dogs, Kai and Sydney.