

# **Curriculum Vitae**

## **Robert J. Cronin**

Robert J. Cronin is a full time Deputy Sheriff with the Middlesex (Massachusetts) Sheriff's Office and has over twenty-seven years of professional experience. Holding the rank of Assistant Deputy Superintendent, Mr. Cronin was appointed the Marine Unit's first Commander. His experience ranges from authoring safety related articles for regional publications, teaching boating crash investigation and other courses for the Massachusetts Harbormaster's Association and as a lead investigator in numerous vehicular homicide cases; Mr. Cronin's career has a strong investigative foundation. While starting his career with the Andover (Massachusetts) Police Department, Mr. Cronin was named to the Detective Division in 1986. Mr. Cronin began to amass the skills required of an investigator, learning techniques in crime scene and case management.

Upon completion of this assignment, Mr. Cronin was appointed Safety Officer in 1990. This assignment saw the Safety Officer position transform into a specialized duty assignment. The position required interfacing with other Agencies on local, state and federal levels as they related to various projects and investigations. This also included Mr. Cronin's duties as the Agency's "Crash Reconstructionist" as well as a founding member of the North Eastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council Crash Reconstruction unit. A United States Coast Guard licensed Master; Mr. Cronin has combined his experience and education as a Crash Reconstructionist with his expertise as a Master Mariner, making a distinctively qualified expert in the area of watercraft collision investigation and reconstruction. Mr. Cronin also has extensive experience testifying in district, superior and federal court in both criminal and civil actions. Mr. Cronin has also given testimony before the Massachusetts Great and General Court on public safety issues and has been a member of the City of Newburyport's Harbor Commission since 2002.

## Education

Salem State College, major: Junior High Social Studies, minor: Criminal Justice; 1973 – 1977

## Current assignments

- Assistant Deputy Superintendent, Middlesex (MA) Sheriff's Office, Marine Unit Commander; November 2007 (creation of unit) to present

## Completed Assignments

- Police Officer, Town of Andover, Massachusetts; July 20, 1981 to November 2007
- Safety Officer, Town of Andover, Massachusetts; June 1, 1990 to November 2007
- Motorcycle unit, Town of Andover, Massachusetts; May 13 1991 to November 2007
- Traffic unit, Town of Andover, Massachusetts; July 1, 1999 to November 2007
- Collision Analysis and Reconstruction, Town of Andover, Massachusetts; September 2000 to November 2007
- Collision Analysis and Reconstruction, North Eastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council (NEMLEC); January 2001 to November 2007
- Motorcycle unit, North Eastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council (NEMLEC) September 2003 to November 2007
- Police Officer, Town of Andover, Massachusetts, Detective Division; November 1986 to January 1991
- Police Officer, Town of Andover, Massachusetts, Detective Division, Lawrence Drug Task Force; February 1987 to March 1988
- Police Officer, Town of Andover, Massachusetts, Detective Division, joint Federal, State, Local Task Force; "Operation Olympia", October 1987 to March 1988

## Special Assignments

Presidential Protection Detail, President George H.W. Bush, liaison with counter sniper team, Phillips Academy, October 1989

Presidential Protection Detail, President George H.W. Bush, helicopter security, Raytheon Corporation, April 1991

Motorcade security, Secretary of State Madeline Albright, motorcade lead, Hewlett Packard Corporation, November 1998

NEMLEC motorcycle unit, Democratic National Convention, Boston, Massachusetts; July 2004

NEMLEC motorcycle unit, American League Championship Series and World Series 2004 and 2007

NEMLEC motorcycle unit, Red Sox World Series victory parade escort 2004

NEMLEC motorcycle unit, New England Patriots Super Bowl parade escort, February 2004

## Specialized Training

Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Council, Basic Recruit Academy; July 1981

Massachusetts State Police, standard field sobriety testing; November 1984

Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) basic narcotic enforcement and identification; January 1987

Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Council, Crime Scene Management; April 1987

National Highway Safety Administration (NHSTA) Occupant Protection, Usage and Enforcement (OPUE) Instructor; January 1993

Massachusetts Emergency Management and Response (MEMA) Hazmat response; November 1995

Kustom Signal Corporation, Radar/Lidar Instructor; February 1996

National Highway Safety Administration (NHTSA) Traffic Occupant Protection Strategies (TOPS) instructor; October 1997

Boston & Maine Railroad Police, Grade Crossing Collision Investigation; June 1998

Massachusetts Governor's Highway Safety Bureau, Child Passenger Safety Technician (cert #T0695) September 1998 to November 2007

Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) Police, Operation Lifesaver Instructor; May 1999

Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) Police, Grade Crossing Investigation; April 2001

Institute of Police Technology and Management (IPTM), University of North Florida, At Scene Traffic Crash/ Traffic Homicide Investigation, May 2000

Institute of Police Technology and Management (IPTM), University of North Florida, Advance Traffic Investigation; July 2000

Institute of Police Technology and Management (IPTM), University of North Florida, Traffic Crash Reconstruction; September 2000

Texas A&M University, Fundamentals of Measurements and Diagramming; March 2001

Texas A&M University, Photography for the Crash Investigator; March 2001

Institute of Police Technology and Management (IPTM Public Safety Institute), University of North Florida, Watercraft Investigation and Incident Reconstruction; October 2001

United States Coast Guard (USCG), Master of Steam or Motor Vessels of not more than 50 gross tons (license # 999358) August 2002

SRR Traffic Safety Services, The Vehicle Autopsy, January 2003

SRR Investigating the Pedestrian Crash; March 2003

National Association of State Boating Law Administrators NASBLA/USCG/Underwriter's Labs, National Boating Accident and Analysis, comprehensive; May 2003

National Association of State Boating Law Administrators NASBLA/USCG/Underwriter's Labs, Boating Accident and Analysis, advanced; September 2003

Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Council, standard field sobriety testing; March 2004

Ocean Rescue Systems, small boat search and rescue techniques; May 2004

National Association of State Boating Law Administrators NASBLA/USCG/Underwriter's Labs, Boating Accident and Analysis, Training Facilitator/Instructor certification; May 2004

Massachusetts Environmental Police; boarding procedure and small boat handling; May 2005

Department of Homeland Security, Incident Command Systems (ICS) instructor, (NIMS, ICS-700, 100, 200, 300); July 2005

Massachusetts Municipal Police Training Committee, instructor certification November 2005

Highway-Rail grade crossing collision investigation; December 2005

Collision Safety Institute, Crash Data Retrieval technician and analyst certification; May 2006

SRR Traffic Safety, Pedestrian and Bicycle Crash Reconstruction; December 2006

United States Coast Guard (USCG), Master of Steam or Motor Vessels of not more than 100 gross tons (license # 1193439) August 2007

Pennsylvania State Police, Crash Reconstruction Seminar, October 2007

Department of Homeland Security, Incident Command Systems (ICS) 400; October 2007

SAFE boat International, Response boat operation; February 2008

United States Power Squadron; instructor recertification; March 2008

Massachusetts Harbormasters Association, Harbormaster certification, April 2008

Massachusetts State Police/Massachusetts Harbormasters Association "Boating under the influence" seminar; June 2008

## Honors

Andover Police Department, Medal of Honor

Andover Police Department, Lifesaving Medal

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, "Medal of Honor" Award

Andover Fire Department, Medal of Valor

Andover Police Department, Lifesaving Medal (second award)

Officer of the Year Award, 1996

Officer of the Year Award, 2005

Congressional and Massachusetts Great and General Court; Proclamation Awards

Andover Police Department; various unit citations

North Andover Police Department; letter of commendation

Townsend Police Department; letter of commendation

## Associations and Affiliations

Andover Police Relief Association (retired)

Massachusetts Police Association (retired)

Massachusetts Safety Officer's League (retired)

National Association of Professional Accident Reconstruction Specialists (NAPARS)

Accident Reconstruction Network

American Association of State Highway and Traffic Officials (AASHTO)

International Association of Marine Investigators (IAMI)

IAMI state (Massachusetts) Law Enforcement coordinator; March 2006

Massachusetts (North Shore chapter) Harbormasters Association

City of Newburyport Harbor Commission, member; since 2002

Boat Owner's Association of the United States (BoatUS)

United States Power Squadron (USPS), instructor

Recreational Marine Research Center (RMRC) National Boater Panel

Professional Association of Dive Instructors (PADI)

American Boat and Yacht Council (ABYC)