

## **Robert J. Finnegan, Sr.**

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Delaware River Port Authority (DRPA)

Robert Finnegan's law enforcement career, with the DRPA Police Department, began in 1992. He earned his way through each rank where, in March of 2021, and became Acting Chief. In April of 2022, he retired from the Police Department to accept an executive position within the agency as the Chief Security & Safety Officer. In his new role he oversees the Police Department, Homeland Security Department, Safety Department and Cybersecurity. Prior to his role as Acting Chief, he was responsible for overseeing all investigations, communications (police dispatch), training, evidence, courts, technology, and multiple specialized units within the Department. In addition to his daily duties, he also served as the agency's Counter Terrorism Coordinator, Rail Safety Coordinator, Intelligence (PA) Liaison Officer, and Fusion (NJ) Liaison Officer. In 2019, he was appointed to the federal Surface Transportation Security Advisory Committee (STSAC) in Washington, DC. He served as the DRPA representative on the Liberty Mid-Atlantic High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) and the FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF) Executive Boards, along with several additional sub-committees. He has also served as the agency's interim Homeland Security Director.

Robert earned his Master's (MAS) and Bachelor's (BA) degree from Fairleigh Dickinson University. He graduated from the FBI Law Enforcement Executive Development (LEEDS) Program, Northwestern University Police Staff & Command, and West Point Command & Leadership Academy. He earned a certificate in Critical Infrastructure Protection from Texas A & M University, as well as an Accredited Command Executive Certification from the NJ State Association of Chiefs of Police. He also maintains an active Secret US government security clearance.

Throughout his distinguished career, Robert's service and dedication to duty earned him more than 34 commendations and awards. His most recent commendations were earned for planning, organizing, and directing all special events occurring within the agency's areas of responsibility. Subsequently, he received special recognition from the United States Secret Service for coordinating, directing, and executing plans for two National Special Security Events (NSSE); the 2015 Papal Visit and the 2016 Democratic National Convention (DNC). In 2018, he also assisted, planned, and directed activities and crisis response during the Philadelphia Eagles Super Bowl Parade.