



Pete Shephard grew up in Canterbury, New Hampshire. In 1986 he joined the Army where he served as an active-duty military policeman until 1989 and in the Army Reserves until 1994. After leaving active duty he was hired by the Boscawen Police department where he served as Patrolman and Sergeant. In 1990 Pete was recalled to active duty in support of Operation Desert Storm. While working for Boscawen PD he attended New Hampshire Technical Institute (NHTI) part-time and earned an A.S. in Criminal Justice. He continued his education at Franklin Pierce College, where he graduated Magna Cum Laude with a B.A. in Criminal Justice. Following his service in Boscawen, he was hired as a Deputy Sheriff by the Merrimack County Sheriff's Office, where he gained an in-depth understanding of the duties and responsibilities of this organization. In 2002, Pete joined the U.S. Department of State as a Special Agent with the Diplomatic Security Service, where he served with distinction protecting American personnel and interests around the world.

Over a career spanning military police, local law enforcement, the Merrimack County Sheriff's Office, and federal service, Pete has built a reputation for integrity, leadership, and commitment to public safety. A strong advocate for community policing and proactive engagement with youth and families, he served as a DARE officer in Boscawen and Webster.

After retiring from federal service in 2019, Pete continued his work in international security in the private sector. In this role he has supported the protection of U.S. personnel and operations in complex environments overseas. A resident of Canterbury, NH, Pete is committed to ensuring the Sheriff's Office serves all communities with professionalism, transparency, and accountability.

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