



Steve Tidwell currently is the Executive Director of the FBI National Academy Associates (FBINAA). He had a 34 year career in law enforcement. He served eight years as a police officer with the Richardson, TX Police Department and 26 years with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Following his retirement from the FBI, he was a leadership consultant and served as the Executive Director of the FBI National Academy Associates, Inc. Previous to rejoining the FBINAA, he was a Managing Director with Freeh Group International Solutions.

He entered on duty with the FBI in June 1983, and served as an investigative agent in the Dallas, Mobile and Baltimore Field Offices, investigating narcotics, violent crime and gang matters. He served as a team member on the Mobile and Baltimore Field Office's SWAT teams, in a variety of capacities. He was assigned to the Protection Details of the FBI Director and Attorney General. As a Supervisory Special Agent, Tidwell supervised gang, violent crime, and white collar crime squads.

He was promoted, in 1999, and served as Assistant Special Agent in Charge of the Salt Lake City Division. In 2001, he was promoted to the Senior Executive Service and assigned as Inspector, Inspection Division, where he led teams in inspections and audits of FBI field offices and FBIHQ divisions. He was the team leader for the FBIHQ Flight 77 global investigative team following the 9/11 attacks.

In 2002, Tidwell was appointed Special Agent in Charge of the Louisville Field Office. During the sniper investigation in the Washington, D. C., area, he was detailed to serve as an On-Scene Commander and supervised the crime scene at the arrest site.

In May 2003, he was assigned as Deputy Assistant Director, Criminal Investigative Division, FBIHQ, with responsibility for the FBI's White Collar, Public Corruption and Civil Rights programs. He was then appointed as Special Agent in Charge, Critical Incident Response Group (CIRG), responsible for the FBI's special mission, aviation, crisis management/response, and tactical programs and assets. He served as the FBI's On-Scene Commander for personnel deployed to support the Government of Greece for the 2004 Athens Summer Olympics. He was the FBI's first National Asset Commander for major tactical and crisis incidents and was responsible for the FBI's overall national response to Hurricane Katrina.

In 2005, he was designated Assistant Director in Charge of the Los Angeles Field Office, the FBI's third largest field office with 1300 employees. In December 2007, he was appointed as Executive Assistant Director for the Bureau's Criminal, Cyber, Response and Services Branch, comprised of the Criminal Investigative Division, Cyber Division, CIRG, International Operations Division, and Office of Law

Enforcement Coordination. He was responsible for over 14,000 of the FBI's personnel and the programs they supported.

He has been an adjunct faculty member of the Johns Hopkins University Division of Public Safety Leadership, a guest lecturer at the Naval Post Graduate School and Leadership instructor at the FBI's Executive Development Institute. He is a graduate of the FBI's National Executive Institute. He is a member of IACP, the FBINAA, ASIS, and served as Chairman of the Concerns of Police Survivors Advisory Council. He is a recipient of the 2005 Presidential Rank Award for Meritorious Executive. He is a 2005 National Defense University's Pinnacle Course (rising three star flag officers) Fellow.