



## LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

### **DR. JAMES D. SEWELL**

**RETIRED ASSISTANT  
COMMISSIONER  
FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW  
ENFORCEMENT**

James D. Sewell retired as Assistant Commissioner of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement in February 2005, following 32-years service with university, municipal, and state law enforcement agencies in Florida. During the course of his professional career, he held leadership and management positions at FDLE; at the City of Gulfport, Florida, as Chief of Police and Interim City Manager at the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; and at the Florida State University Department of Public Safety. Since his retirement from active law enforcement, he has provided management and training consulting services to a number of law enforcement and social services agencies. In addition, he has served as a Gubernatorial appointee on the Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County and the Florida Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission, as well as on the Boards of Directors of a number of local not-for-profit agencies, including the Tallahassee Community College Public Safety Housing Corporation.

Dr. Sewell received his B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. in Criminology from Florida State University. He has published two textbooks, one of which, Stress Management in Law Enforcement, with Dr. Leonard Territo, is in its fourth edition, and over fifty journal articles and book chapters, principally on law enforcement management and law enforcement stress. He is a graduate of the Florida Criminal Justice Executive Institute Chief Executive Seminar (Eighth Class) and F.B.I. National Academy (114th Session) and is a Life Member of both the International Association of Chiefs of Police and the Florida Police Chiefs Association. In 2019, he was inducted into the Florida Law Enforcement Officer's Hall of Fame.