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“What we have in P.O.C. is opportunity. The opportunity to show all Californians how much ethics, honor, and integrity mean to the men and women who have sworn the oath to defend and enforce the laws of this State. We have the opportunity to build something greater than ourselves when we pay tribute to these ideals and to pass this greatness on to our children and the generations that will follow us into State service. This is no easy task that should be taken lightly, but rather a challenge that merits the formation of the finest law enforcement representation group ever composed. We have the opportunity to come together as a team of peace officers whose first priority will be taking care of each other and each other’s families. We must learn from those who have tried, but not made this grade; we must do for us, what only we ourselves can do; speak as one united voice that will be heard above the din of other lesser associations. I implore you to join us in building something monumental. Become one of the hundreds of peace officers who share this vision and yearn for its rewards. We need each other to win this challenge and create something historic. Join us.”

Mark Falcione,
DMV Investigations Field Training Officer



WHO IS MARK:

Mark Falcione is currently a DMV Investigations Field Training Officer assigned to the DMV Document Border Enforcement Unit, a Homeland Security Federal Task Force located in San Diego. Mark began working as a DMV Investigator after starting State service in 2004. He previously worked as a police officer for the La Mesa Police Department since 1989. During his 15 years with the La Mesa Police Department, Mark served as a Reserve Officer / FTO, a Patrol Officer / FTO, a Traffic Enforcement Officer / FTO and Collision Investigator, a Detective / Detective FTO, and a member of the Peer Support Team. Mark was on the Board of Directors for the La Mesa Police Officers’ Association for seven years, five as LMPOA President and lead contract negotiator.

Mark completed his Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice shortly after starting at the DMV and recently earned his Master of Public Administration Degree *with a Specialization in Leadership* from National University in 2008, at 50 years of age. He practices what is known as “Servant Leadership,” putting the needs of his co-workers above his own.

Mark began his public service with the United States Marine Corps, 3rd Battalion, 1st Marine Division in 1981. He served as an infantry non-commissioned officer until 1987, when he was honorably discharged and started up a family-run property management business. Known for his

command presence and “never say die” attitude, Mark attributes his hard-corps, old-school, style and work ethic to what he learned in the Corps:

“The Marines taught me that there is nothing that cannot be accomplished through hard work, determination, and by building an integral team. Courage is not measured in risk-taking, but rather in never shying away from a challenge. Losing is simply not an option, but more important than that, is winning with honor. Ethics and integrity rule all my decision making, because, at the end of the day, we must be able to look back at our accomplishments with pride and dignity.”

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