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CLOSE PROTECTION

♦ Royalty - VIPs - Venues - Witness Protection - Special Operations ♦

Possessing 30 years police service experience including Close Protection. As CPO, I have protected Royalty, Government Officials and Ministers and other VIP's and also being responsible for venue protection as well as completing many sensitive operations within witness protection. I have also worked with the Metropolitan Specialist Operations Protection Teams in 2004/2005. I am physically fit, able to recognize and defuse potentially dangerous situations whilst remaining calm under extreme pressure - able to adapt and improvise in response to different situations, that involves control, risk assessment and split second decision making and being responsible for those decisions. I am due to retire in October 2007, and looking forward to making a continued significant contribution within the protection industry in the UK or overseas.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Close Protection
- Corporate Security
- Residential Security
- Emergency Drills
- Pre-operational Planning
- Risk Assessments
- Searching Vehicles / Buildings
- Event Security
- Communicative Skills
- Advanced, Defensive & Evasive Driving
- Law Enforcement
- Reconnaissance
- Crisis Management
- Personal /Travel Security
- Recruit Instruction

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENTS

POLICE A HEADQUARTERS (1977-2007)

FIREARMS OPERATIVE / ARMED RESPONSE OFFICER

1990 - Present

Firearms Unit.

This post is very much is a team effort. Within my role, I have been part of proactive and reactive operations, critical incidents and dealt with many emergency situations, responding quickly as possible, incorporating good driver skills, whilst also dealing with the everyday policing and responding to the needs of area commands.

- First female Armed Response Officer in the service. Attending varied firearms incidents and potential incidents where it is deemed to dangerous for other officers to attend.
- Instrumental in attracting other women into the department, and responsible for welcoming and instructing new recruits.
- Contributor to Regional and National Firearms Committees and National CT Exercises.
- Personal Protection Specialist and Armed Response Vehicle trained.

CLOSE PROTECTION (CP) EXPERIENCE

- Regularly perform the role of Close Protection Officer or backup officer on VIP visits to the force area of Royalty or Heads of State.
 - Working long shifts, covering 24-hour protection, including evenings and weekends. Working at indoor and outdoor venues such as conferences, political meetings and rallies, corporate events and social events.
 - Protecting individuals and groups from risk of violence or kidnapping; or any situation deemed harmful.
 - Covered threats to clients that could come from a range of sources including terrorist organisations, political opponents, stalkers or over-enthusiastic fans.
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS (CONTINUED)

MOTOR PATROLS CONSTABLE

1983 - 90

Police A Headquarters

- Responsible for road traffic enforcement in various areas. Successful investigation and convictions in the law courts.
- Able to express warmth and compassion with the bereaved.

AREA COMMAND OFFICER

1976 - 83

Police A Headquarters

- Delivered neighbourhood policing by working in teams based in local communities.
- Worked closely with partner agencies, responding to your priorities and resolving local problems.
- Authorised to give evidence in court.
- Joined Northumbria Police on the 2nd October 1976 at the age of 18yrs. I have remained in frontline policing since this date.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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| Accredited | Nationally Qualified Firearms Officer | Date |
| PACE | Trained | Date |
| Advanced Driver | Motor Patrols Officers course, class 1 advanced and VIP protection driver. | Date |
| VIP Driving | VIP protection course. | Date |
| Close Protection | National Certificate | Date |
| Camic | Trained, and a vehicle examiner. | Date |
| First Aid | Level 4 | Date |
| Courses: | Diversity, self defence, gas/baton training etc. qualified Vascar Speed Detection instructor and have trained many officers in its use. Motor Patrol Officers course, Initial firearms course, Protection/ evasive driver, Venue Protection, Mutual Aid with the Metropolitan Police Protection Unit, Mental Health Awareness course. | Date |

AWARDS

- Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.
- 2 x Chief Supt compliments for good police work and tenacity.

INTERESTS AND PASTIMES

Alternative therapy, cooking entertaining friends, walking, keep fit, rugby (watching), travel, reading, driving.

References available on request.