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Harry Markley is a nationally recognized expert in law enforcement and public safety, having served as a police officer in the State of Arizona for more than three decades, and in a national role facilitating telecommunications improvements for first responders. **Chief Markley rose through the ranks of the Phoenix Police Department to earn a chief-level position as the Assistant Chief of the Patrol Division in one of the nation's largest police departments**, with 3,125 sworn officers serving over 1.65 million residents—the 5th largest city

in the United States. As Assistant Chief, Markley was responsible for 1850 officers responding throughout 6 precincts to over 1.8 million 911 and non-emergency calls annually, and achieved a 79% rate of response within 15 seconds or less.

During his career, Harry also served as **Commander of the Agency's full-service Crime Lab**: including DNA, firearms, fingerprints, and evidence collection (managing scientists, technicians and crime scene response collecting and processing 8500 items monthly), achieving a reduction in the backlog of evidence from 22,000 to 8,000 items in just two years. Harry's command-level roles included SWAT Team, Basic and Advanced Training, Patrol Precincts, and Detective Bureaus, where he managed under-cover drug buys. Chief Markley served as **Tactical Commander during the 2001 World Series** (just weeks after 9-11-01, the largest terror attack on the United States), and has served in Command and planning roles in two different Superbowls. He was awarded Phoenix PD's Lifesaving Award (1992).

Markley is recognized as an expert in Use of Force, Arrest Tactics and Non-lethal Force: he earned state certification in defensive tactics, advanced to become an instructor for officers and recruits statewide, and then took on responsibility for training and certifying the state's instructors. Markley was instrumental in revising the certification process and writing the State of Arizona's standards for use of force. He is also certified in Physical Fitness, served as an instructor for High-Risk Vehicle stops, and is a graduate of the FBI's Crisis Negotiator Academy.

After retiring from the Phoenix Police Department in 2023, Chief Markley was appointed to serve as **the Law Enforcement Senior Advisor for the FirstNet Authority**, coordinating the implementation of the \$3.2 Billion dedicated public safety broadband system designated by the United States Congress and overseen by the U.S. Department of Commerce. Chief Markley has worked to facilitate the build-out of the FirstNet program by **engaging with the leadership of over 80,000 law enforcement agencies across the United States, through federal, state, local and tribal agencies and associations**. As Law Enforcement Senior Advisor, Chief Markley provided leadership for a team of professionals responsible for engaging stakeholders, resolving problems that impact FirstNet's programs, and coordinating with outside entities to meet all requirements for the development, operation, and maintenance of the network.

Markley is a graduate of Hawaii Loa College in Kaneohe, Hawaii (*Bachelor of Arts, Business and Economics*) and Northern Arizona State University in Flagstaff, Arizona (*Masters in Educational Leadership*). He is married to Lisa; they have two grown children, and raise Arabian horses on a ranch in Scottsdale.