

Joseph P. Bono

BIO

Joseph P. Bono is currently the Laboratory Director of the United States Secret Service Laboratory in Washington, DC. His previous position was as the Quality Manager of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Office of Forensic Sciences. He has been the Director of the following laboratories: the DEA Special Testing and Research Laboratory in Dulles, Virginia; the DEA Mid-Atlantic Laboratory in Washington, DC; the Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS) Regional Forensic Laboratory in Naples, Italy; and the St. Louis County Police Department Laboratory in Clayton, Missouri.

In 2004, he coordinated the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors/Laboratory Accreditation Board (ASCLD/LAB) International (ISO) accreditation of the nine DEA laboratories. Mr. Bono has traveled extensively during his career, making presentations dealing with the forensic analysis of drugs in Venezuela, Colombia, Guyana, Ecuador, Austria, Oman, Pakistan, Taiwan, France, Turkey, Hong Kong, China, Germany, Sweden, and Italy.

Mr. Bono is a FELLOW and current Secretary of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS). He has also served as the Vice President of the AAFS (2006) and served three year term as a member of the AAFS Board of Directors (2003-2005). In 2006 he was awarded the AAFS Criminalistics Section Mary Cowan Distinguished Service Award.

Beginning in 2001, he was elected by the ASCLD/LAB Delegate Assembly to a four year term on the Board of Directors. He was the Secretariat of the Scientific Working Group for the Analysis of Seized Drugs (SWGDRUG) from 1997 through 2005; the organizer and coordinator of the International Drug Profiling Conference (IDPC) from 2002 through 2005; and a member of the INTERPOL Forensic Sciences Symposium Organizing Committee in 2001 and 2004. He is a member of the Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists (1976-Present), the Mid-Atlantic Association of Forensic Scientists (1999-Present), and the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors (1999 - Present).

Mr. Bono holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemistry and a Master of Arts Degree in Political Science, both from the University of Missouri – St. Louis. He is currently serving in the second year of a four year gubernatorial appointment to the Commonwealth of Virginia, Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC). He will complete his two year term as Chair of the SAC in June 2007. He also serves as member of Commonwealth of Virginia Forensic Science Board.