Anthony W. Finnell

Mr. Anthony W. Finnell currently works as an Independent Consultant in the areas of civilian oversight of law enforcement policy and procedures, investigations, community-based policing and security.

Mr. Finnell previously served as the Strategic Initiatives Lead for the Office of Inspector General for the City of Seattle.

Mr. Finnell previously served as the Interim Executive Director of the Community Police Review Agency (CPRA) in Oakland, CA, and as the Executive Director of the Citizens' Police Review Board (the CPRA's predecessor), beginning in July 2014.

Prior to moving to Oakland to work for the CPRB, Mr. Finnell served as Supervising Investigator for the Independent Police Review Authority in Chicago, Illinois.



Mr. Finnell retired as a Sergeant for the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department (IMPD) after a career spanning more than 23 years. One of his most notable accomplishments was his introduction and implementation of the O.K. Program (O.K.). O.K. is a law enforcement based mentoring program, which fosters strategic alliances between the Indianapolis Public School system, the business community, and the Indianapolis Police Department.

Mr. Finnell has served on the National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement (NACOLE) Board of Directors since 2016. Mr. Finnell has served as the Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee (2016-2017) and the Chair of the Elections and Bylaws Committee. Mr. Finnell has served as the Treasurer for NACOLE. Currently, Mr. Finnell serves as the Vice President for NACOLE and the co-chair of the Internal Operations Committee.

Mr. Finnell is the recipient of numerous awards and recognitions, including:

- 2008: Honorary Doctorate of Humanities for improving the lives of African America Males within the Indianapolis, Indiana community, received from Grace Bible College.
- 2007: Recipient of the FORSCOM Certificate of Appreciation for exceptional commitment to communities, dedication and mentorship, received from the United States Army.
- 2007: Medal of Merit for innovation in law enforcement for the establishment of the O.K. Program in the Indianapolis community, received from IMPD.

Mr. Finnell holds a Master of Business Administration from Keller Graduate School of Management and a Bachelor of Science in Organizational Management Oakland City University.