

## **Jim Burack (Greg Saville)**



Jim Burack is the Town Administrator and Chief of Police in Milliken, Colorado, a community about 45 miles north of Denver. Previously he was Director of Operations and Counsel for the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) in Washington, D.C. A lieutenant colonel in the Marine Corps Reserves, he served on active duty as a judge advocate and Special Assistant U.S. Attorney in Southern California. He has deployed as a civil affairs team leader for operations in Kosovo in 1999, and as the lead civil affairs liaison to the Chief Judge and the judiciary of Anbar Province in 2004-05 in Iraq. Burack's most recent assignments were with the Department of Defense Inspector General and as a FEMA liaison officer. Jim was a police officer in Westminster, Colorado after graduation from Dartmouth College.

He holds a law degree from the University of Colorado, Boulder and an MA from the Graduate School of Public Affairs, University of Colorado, Denver. He is a member of the bar in Colorado, California and the District of Columbia.

In 2000, Jim was a key member of the original PERF research team on the national Police Training Officer (PTO) program. As such, he was among those who foresaw the revolution in police education starting with PTO, now in over a hundred departments in the US and Canada. That subsequently led to educational reforms now underway in a dozen police academies under the Problem-Based Learning philosophy.

From 2005 Jim developed and led a project to rebuild the Milliken Police Station using the principles of community policing. He brought in community residents, experts in community policing and crime prevention through environmental design, and officials from the COPS office to document the process for nation-wide exposure. Ultimately, the station was heralded as a new form of attractive neighborhood police headquarters building that has activated the town's core and also provides a professional and secure environment for daily policing services.