

# **Bernard W Becker III**

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Chief of Department Becker began his career as a part time / volunteer Firefighter / EMT with the Colerain Township Fire Department in 1977 and was promoted to a career position in 1978. Chief of Department Becker worked through the ranks obtaining positions as a Fire Apparatus Operator, Aerial Tower Operator, Advanced EMT, Shift Lieutenant, Captain, Director of Fire and Life Safety, promoted to the position of Assistant Chief with the Anderson Township Fire Department in 1996 and promoted to the position of Chief of Department with the Clearcreek Fire District in 1997.

In 1976, Chief of Department Becker willingly entered military service in the United States Marine Corp. After basic and M.O.S. training, Chief Becker joined the USMC Reserve unit, Communication Company in Cincinnati, Ohio. Chief of Department Bernie Becker served a six-year tour with this unit, earning a meritorious promotion to the rank of Corporal and ending his tour with the rank of Sergeant and Platoon Leader.

Chief of Department Becker has extensive experience in the fire service and is active in various professional associations: Public Administrators Association, Building Officials Code Administrators, Ohio Fire Chiefs Association, International Fire Chiefs Association, Warren County Local Emergency Planning Commission, National Fire Protection Association, National Society of Executive Fire Officers and past Vice President of the Warren County Fire Chiefs Association. In addition, Chief of Department Becker is active in various community activities; Sinclair Community College Fire Advisory, Community Blood and Tissue Bank Advisory, Springboro Lion and Springboro Optimist organizations.

Chief of Department Becker is a National Registered Emergency Medical Technician – Paramedic, earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Fire and Safety Engineering Technology from the University of Cincinnati, a Master of Science Degree in Executive Fire Service Leadership from the Grand Canyon University, Phoenix Arizona, is a graduate of the National Fire Academy's Executive Fire Officer Program (EFO) in Emmitsburg, Maryland, is an Assistant Instructor for the University of Cincinnati Open Learning Fire Science Program, an Assistant Instructor for the Grand Canyon University Public Safety Department and is certified as a Chief Fire Officer Designate (CFO) from the International Fire Chiefs Association.

Retired Chief of Department Becker has been instrumental in Leading Change for the Clearcreek Fire District, transitioning a small volunteer fire department into a flagship combination career and part time fire district for northern Warren County, Ohio.