

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Organization Bio:

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With more than 60,000 employees, CBP is one of the world's largest law enforcement organizations and is charged with keeping terrorists and their weapons out of the U.S. while facilitating lawful international travel and trade.

As the world's first full-service border entity, CBP takes a comprehensive approach to border management and control, combining customs, immigration, border security, and agricultural protection into one coordinated and supportive activity.

The men and women of CBP are responsible for enforcing hundreds of U.S. laws and regulations. On a typical day, CBP welcomes nearly 1 million visitors, screens more than 67,000 cargo containers, arrests more than 1,100 individuals and seizes nearly 6 tons of illicit drugs.



Speaker Bio:

Mr. Ian Bow, Assistant Area Port Director (Tactical), Area Port of Portland, OR, US Customs and Border Protection (CBP)

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Mr. Ian T. Bow reported for duty as Tactical Assistant Area Port Director (AAPD) of Portland, Oregon on January 22, 2017. As the AAPD, Mr. Bow is charged with managing the Anti-Terrorism Contraband Enforcement Team (A-TCET) operations and Marine Operation Center (MOC) operations as well as overseeing the operations of out ports Coos Bay, OR, Newport, OR, Astoria, OR and Longview, WA.

Prior to his current position, Mr. Bow served as a Supervisor for Preclearance Aruba from 2014-2017 and was responsible for supervising approximately 40 Officers, Agriculture Specialists, and dependents at Oranjestad Aruba Preclearance. During this tenure, he was successful in implementing an Alternative Work Schedule (AWS) to raise the quality of work and life for supervisors, officers and agriculture specialists. Mr. Bow learned several positions while in Aruba to include Body Armor Coordinator, Badge and Credential Coordinator, Forms Control Officer. Mr. Bow was able to foster strong professional relationships with Aruba Customs, Aruba Immigration, Aruba Foreign Affairs Office, Airline Stakeholders, Aruba Airport Authorities, and the U.S. Department of State Consulate, Curacao.

Prior to his service in Preclearance Aruba Mr. Bow served within the Ports of San Ysidro and Otay Mesa, CA. from 2012-2014 as an Admissibility Enforcement (AEU) Supervisor. He was fully engaged in the detention, processing, care for, and transport of all detainees.

Mr. Bow was promoted to Supervisor in 2010 and before his promotion spent a year (2009) as a processing officer for the Port Enforcement Team (PET) rebranded to the AEU. Prior to his AEU time he spent a successful and productive year (2008) serving on A-TCET, with many narcotic and human smuggling attempts discovered. Mr. Bow joined Customs and Border Protection as an officer in 2006.

While serving as a CBP officer, Mr. Bow was able to complete his Juris Doctorate degree and was recognized by his law school for his academic achievement in Juvenile Justice. Mr. Bow completed several courses during law school relating to his law enforcement duties to include Immigration Law, International Law, Evidence, Civil and Criminal Procedure.

Mr. Bow has a hands-on approach and applies theoretical and practical knowledge to each opportunity within CBP, with the end desire in mind to better address anti-terrorism, border security and cargo/passenger facilitation.

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