



Glenn N. "Andy" Anderson

Glenn N. "Andy" Anderson retired from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) of the U.S. Department of Justice in Spring of 2015. On May 4th of 2015 Andy began a new chapter in his career as Director of Tennessee Bomb and Arson, a section within the State's Department of Commerce and Insurance and the State Fire Marshall's Office. He also completed the Tennessee Government Executive Institute (TGEI) leadership class in 2015.

Glenn N. Anderson, known to many as "Andy", has made outstanding contributions during his 26+ years as a leader with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), the Federal law enforcement arm of the U.S. Department of Justice. Andy's executive leadership in directing complex national and international criminal investigations as well as conducting risk, threat and vulnerability assessments and heading up executive protection details has brought him to the attention of Federal law enforcement officials. This attention has led to numerous commendations and his selection and subsequent appointment to the prestigious Senior Executive Service (SES) program (2006).

Andy is a native of Murfreesboro, TN and grew up in the Green Hills area of Nashville. He received a BS degree in Pre-Law with minors in Criminal Justice Administration and English from Middle Tennessee State University, and then attended Nashville School of Law where he received his Doctor of Jurisprudence degree. Both degrees dovetail with his career choice of Federal law enforcement and have assisted him in his work.

Andy's career with ATF began in his home state and progressed from there to Virginia, ATF HQ in D.C., Chicago, and then back to the Eastern part of the country with another stint at ATF HQ and oversight of the Boston and Nashville Field Division. As Deputy Assistant Director of the East Region of the U.S. he supervised and coordinated the daily operational efforts for 10 Divisions and has been involved in leading ATF responses to the Boston Marathon Explosive Incident, the Sandy Hook, Elementary School Shooting in Newtown, CT and the Naval Shipyard Shootings in Washington, D.C.

Andy also has served as liaison between and among law enforcement groups who, at times, have had disparate interests and goals but, with Andy's guidance, were able to come to agreement for a common good. His cool head, technology skills and ability to make decisions in critical situations have been a major asset to ATF and the Department of Justice.

On the personal side, Andy is an active member of his hometown church, including participation in international church mission work. He also plays a number of recreational sports.

A final note about Andy Anderson: he and his wife of 33 years have raised their three adult children, and have two grandchildren. With strong family values and big hearts, the Andersons have adopted a second family of four children from the Chicago area and Haiti. His family provides a firm foundation and excellent support system for Andy's important work.