



## J S Gordon & Associates, Inc.

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### **Bio: Jonathan Gordon**

Mr. Gordon holds a Bachelor of Science (BS) in Criminal Justice from Brenau College, Gainesville, Georgia, and a Masters of Business Administration (MBA) from Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia.

In December 2001, Mr. Jonathan Gordon retired from the Atlanta Police Department as Deputy Chief of Police in command of the Technical Services Division (TSD). TSD subordinate commands included:

- The Computer Services Unit
- The Communications and E911 Section
- The Central Records Section
- The Identification Section (Crime Scene Investigations [CSI], Criminal Records, and Forensic Services)
- The Crime Analysis Unit

Mr. Gordon was the Atlanta Police Department's lead planner for the 1996 Summer Olympic Games (1992 – 1996) and the department's deputy commander for Olympic security operations. He also served as Chairperson of the interagency Olympic Security Planning Coordination Committee. He is a trained criminal investigator with extensive experience as a homicide detective, and attended United States Secret Service training programs for local law enforcement executives. In addition, his responsibilities included:

- Managing development of the comprehensive, multi-agency Olympic security plan
- Managing, developing, and conducting discussion and operations-based exercises used to assess virtually every facet of Olympic security capabilities
- Managing and developing a broad range of training courses and related materials used to prepare Olympic security forces

He has conducted incident command related training classes/seminars for the following organizations:

- The International Association of Chiefs of Police
- The FBI National Academy
- The Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police
- British Ministry of Defense
- The Israel National Police
- The Olympic security forces of:
  - Barcelona, Spain
  - Lillehammer, Norway
  - Sydney, Australia
  - Salt Lake City, Utah
  - Athens, Greece.
  - Beijing, China
  - London, England (currently working with senior Olympic security planners)

### **Work-Related Highlights:**

**December 2001-December 2003:** After retiring from the Atlanta Police Department, Mr. Gordon was hired as CEO for a startup software company. The Utah Olympic Public Safety Command implemented the company's software to support critical infrastructure protection and emergency response at the 2002 Winter Olympic Games, Salt Lake City.

**January 2004-Present:** Mr. Gordon formed J S Gordon & Associates, Inc., which specializes in:

- ICS/NIMS-based policy and procedures development, and incident response preparations
- Developing multi-year training and exercise plans according to Homeland Security Exercise Evaluation Program (HSEEP) guidelines
- Developing/conducting discussion/operations-based training exercises (HSEEP guidelines)
- Major special event preparations
- ICS/NIMS-based computerized application development

**2004-Present:** Mr. Gordon consults for the City of Atlanta, Department of Aviation (DOA), Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (H-JAIA). Responsibilities have included the following:

- Developing and conducting large-scale discussion and operations-based security
- Developed comprehensive manual that integrates NIMS/ICS guidelines with airport emergency response and recovery operations

**August 2004-February 2005:** Mr. Gordon developed the Cobb County Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan for the Cobb Emergency Management Agency and the County's six local municipalities. The Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) subsequently approved the plan for implementation by the county and municipal governments.

**June-October 2006:** Mr. Gordon served as the Technical Assistance liaison and Lead Controller, (with the Potomac River Group, LLC, Leesburg, VA), for the Atlanta Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), Full Scale Exercise (FSE) assessing grant-funded, interoperable communications upgrades. Responsibilities included facilitating the FSE planning conferences (and developing conference materials), developing the Exercise Plan, the Controller and Evaluator Handbook, the Master Scenario Event List (MSEL), Exercise Evaluation Guides, and the After Action Report/Improvement Plan.

**August 2006-May 2007:** Mr. Gordon successfully developed and implemented the Public Safety Virtual Tour (and Incident Command) System for the Cobb County School District, Cobb County, Georgia. The ICS/NIMS compliant, web-based application integrates a centralized repository of emergency operational procedures/documents, comprehensive incident command functions, geographical information system data and capabilities (ESRI-based), and digitized school building floor/site plans embedded with full-immersive 360 by 360 degree images.

**February-December 2007:** Mr. Gordon worked on behalf of SADIA International with the Georgia Office of Homeland Security, to develop and conduct the *Homeland Security: Coordinating with the International Community* training conference, held in Atlanta, Georgia on October 22-23, 2007. The training conference addressed coordination issues that may arise during major disasters (such as the Katrina hurricane) and attended by approximately 200 members of the Atlanta region Diplomatic Consular Corps and senior-level emergency responders.

**2007-Present:** Mr. Gordon is currently working under contract for the University of Georgia, College of Public Health-Institute for Health Management and Mass Destruction Defense (IHMD). Responsibilities have included developing exercise documentation, facilitating exercise planning conferences (and developing conference materials), and conducting discussion and operations-based exercises according to HSEEP guidelines. In addition, he developed, and assisted implementation of the Multi-Year Training & Exercise Plan and Schedule for the nine-county Atlanta region (Area 7) of the Georgia All Hazards council).

**In 2007-Present:** Mr. Gordon joined the faculty of the American Public University System as an adjunct professor. He is currently teaching in the Homeland Security, Public Health, and Emergency & Disaster Management core curriculums.