



JAMES ALAN AUSTIN
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James Alan Austin was born Highgate Center, Vermont, on October 13, 1942, and attended Michigan State University in East Lansing, Michigan, where he earned a bachelor's degree in law enforcement administration in 1964. Following graduation, he was commissioned as an officer in the U.S. Air Force and served as a security police officer at Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico; Danang, Vietnam; Taklai, Thailand; and Langley Air Force Base, Virginia. He left the Air Force with the rank of captain in 1968 to become the Director of the Tidewater Police Academy at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia.

On December 13, 1972, Special Agent Austin joined the Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS), serving his initial tour at the Norfolk Resident Agency. Subsequent tours included the Subic Bay Resident Agency in the Republic of the Philippines; Assistant Special Agent In Charge (ASAC), Parris Island Resident Agency, Beaufort, South Carolina; Special Assistant to the Regional Director, Regional Office, Republic of the Philippines; ASAC, Subic Bay Resident Agency; Head of the Counterintelligence Investigations Branch and at NCIS Headquarters in Washington, D.C.; Head of the Special Operations Branch at NCIS Headquarters; Deputy Inspector General at NCIS Headquarters; Deputy Assistant Director, and Technical Services Department, NCIS Headquarters, where he served until he was appointed to his assignment as Special Agent in Charge of the Washington Field Office in January, 1994.

As SAC of the Washington Field Office, Special Agent Austin is responsible for the supervision of 85 special agents, 20 administrative and professional support personnel assigned to nine field elements located in Washington, D.C., Maryland and Virginia.

Special Agent Austin is the recipient of numerous awards including the NCIS Special Agent of the Year Award in 1985, the Department of Defense Counterintelligence Award, and the Air Force Commendation Medal, in addition to several sustained superior performance awards. He is a 1994 graduate of the Federal Executive's Institute.

Special Agent Austin is married to the former Rosalie Barkyoub of Fairfax, Vermont. The Austins have a daughter, Ann Marie Moore, who is a special education teacher, and a son, Michael, who works for the Naval Audit Service.