## John I. Lanier, Law Enforcement In-Service Training Coordinator and Assistant Director-Basic Law Enforcement Training, Stanly Community College, Albemarle, NC

John Lanier coordinates law enforcement in-service training for a wide range of agencies and officers, who request and seek in-service training to improve their knowledge and skills; additionally, he coordinates the state mandated in-service training required by North Carolina Training and Standards for state and local law enforcement agencies. In conjunction with these responsibilities, he is the assistant to the Basic Law Enforcement Training Director and is responsible for helping maintain quality instruction for the basic students and for following and enforcing the standards set forth by the NC Criminal Justice Training and Standards Commission.

John retired in 2013 as a Lieutenant/ Patrol Commander with the Salisbury Police Department where he was responsible for supervising and providing leadership for his team, and managing budgetary, training, and staffing needs. His most important responsibility was to ensure that his officers received the training and equipment they needed to do their jobs effectively and safely.

Prior to being promoted to Lieutenant, John had been the Sergeant of the Street Crimes Unit and had served in that capacity since the inception of the unit. He started his career as a Military Police Officer with the U.S. Army in 1983 and then served with Salisbury for the remainder of his law enforcement career. During his career, he primarily served in the patrol division and was awarded both the Medal of Valor and Lifesaving Awards. John served as a member of the SRT Team, a patrol sergeant, the Gang Unit Supervisor as well as the Vice/ Narcotics Unit Sergeant. In addition to holding a master's degree in Justice Studies, John is a NC General Instructor, a Specialized Physical Fitness Instructor, and a martial arts instructor. He teaches both basic and in-service training on topics that range from ethics to defensive tactics.

John is still sworn with the Salisbury NC Police Department, is married and has three daughters, a stepson, and four granddaughters.