

Paul Falzone

Law/Enforcement



Paul Falzone graduated from Collinwood High School in 1963. He went on to Ohio University and studied Pre-Law and in 1967 graduated from the Cleveland Police Academy.

In 1967, Falzone was a Patrol Officer for the Cleveland Police Department. He enforced all laws of the State of Ohio and the City of Cleveland. Falzone responded to citizens complaints and requests for assistance, served warrants, apprehended suspects for felony and misdemeanor violations of law, made reports, conducted basic investigations, consulted with prosecutors and testified in court.

In 1972, Falzone became a Detective for the Cleveland Police Department. He initiated investigations regarding suspected narcotics violators and organizations, organized crime members and groups, domestic and international terrorists and white collar crime suspects. Falzone also conducted follow up investigations of robberies and burglaries. He investigated crime scenes, obtained witness statements and search warrants, made arrests, as well as charged and interviewed suspects. Falzone also worked during this time on the Burglary Unit, the Sixth District Strike Force, the Narcotics Unit and the Organized Crime and Intelligence Unit. Falzone consulted with prosecutors, prepared cases for court and testified as well. He worked with and coordinated investigations with Federal Law Enforcement agencies including the FBI, the ATF, the IRS CID and the U.S. Secret Service. Falzone assisted in Presidential and Candidate protection details. The first President he ever protected was Lyndon B. Johnson. Other Presidents Falzone has protected through the years have been Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan and Bill Clinton.

Along with his duties at the Cleveland Police Department, Falzone was also an undercover security office for the Cleveland Browns from 1974 - 1983. He provided protection for the Browns owners, members of the Browns owner's family, business associates, friends and others that attended Cleveland Browns functions and might have been at some degree of risk.

Since 1994, Falzone has been the Chief of Police for the Bratenahl Police Department. Falzone supervises 21 officers and 10 civilian employees and under his direct command, ensures that they are compliant with all laws, policies, procedures regulations and accepted police practices. He plans and administers the departmental budget which well exceeds \$1,000,000.00. Falzone is responsible for assimilating and analyzing city-wide criminal data, devising solutions that target specific crimes or locales, assigning resources, performing follow up evaluations and evaluating the results. He establishes goals and priorities for dealing with daily operations within the Department and commands complex and dangerous field situations as well as overseeing sensitive investigations. Falzone also meets weekly with community leaders to exchange information and actively participates in community relations programs.

Falzone is a member of the Ohio Chiefs of Police, the Metropolitan Crime Clinic, the Ohio Identification Officers Association, the Suburban Police Anti-Crime Network and the International Chief of Police Association.