

## Frank G. Straub, Ph.D.

### *Biography*



Frank G. Straub, Ph.D., is director of strategic studies at the [National Police Foundation](#), a non-profit organization that studies ways to improve policing in the United States. He has conducted in-depth studies of the San Bernardino terrorist attack, the Kalamazoo mass shooting, and the Orlando Pulse nightclub shooting. He is currently leading a review of the Marjorie Stoneman Douglas High School shooting and is the project manager for the Averted School Violence database.

Frank is a 30-year veteran of federal and local law enforcement, having served as the police chief in Spokane, Washington; the public safety director in Indianapolis; the public safety commissioner in White Plains, New York; and the New York City police department's deputy commissioner of training and assistant commissioner for counterterrorism. He also served as a member of the FBI-NYPD Joint Terrorism Task Force during his tenure with the U.S. State Department's Bureau of Diplomatic Security and the U.S. Naval Criminal Investigative Service.

Frank is a non-resident fellow at West Point's Center for Combatting Terrorism, providing expert advice regarding the domestic law enforcement response to terrorism and acts of mass public violence.

He holds a B.A. in psychology, a M.A. in forensic psychology, and a Ph.D. in criminal justice. He has co-authored a book on performance-based police management and published articles on averting school violence, community policing, youth violence and gang prevention. Frank has testified before Congress, participated in White House convenings, and spoken at national conferences regarding these and other subject areas.