

**Jeffrey H. Norwitz**  
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Jeffrey H. Norwitz was born in Hartford, Connecticut. He completed an undergraduate degree in Criminal Justice at Eastern Kentucky University in 1974. After graduation, he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army Military Police Corps and completed Airborne School before assignment to the 50<sup>th</sup> Ordnance Company where his duties involved security of nuclear weapons. He concluded three years active duty as the Executive Officer of the 4<sup>th</sup> Military Police Company, Fort Carson, Colorado.

Mr. Norwitz joined the El Paso County Sheriff's Office in Colorado Springs, Colorado in 1978. As a patrol officer, he received awards for heroism, life saving and superior performance. His specialty assignments included SWAT team sniper, firearms instructor as well as Commander of the Bomb Squad responding to more than 500 incidents involving explosives. He was engaged in many prominent cases involving para-military groups and domestic terrorism.

Special Agent Norwitz joined the civilian ranks of the United States Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS) in 1985 and has served tours of duty at: NCIS Mare Island, California (1985-89); NCIS Headquarters Special Projects Division, Washington DC (1989-92); NCIS Resident Agency, Washington DC (1992-96); Amphibious Forces Seventh Fleet, Okinawa, Japan (1996-99); and NCIS Northeast Field Office, Newport, RI (1999-2000) where he was Counterintelligence Supervisory Special Agent for all of New England. He also served at Camp Delta, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (2003-04).

In 1994, the Honorable John H. Dalton, Secretary of the Navy, personally presented Special Agent Norwitz the Department of the Navy's Meritorious Civilian Service Medal for highly classified national security intelligence work. Special Agent Norwitz received a second Meritorious Civilian Service Medal for his intelligence and counterterrorism accomplishments during the 1998 hostilities of Operation Desert Fox.

In 2001, Special Agent Norwitz graduated from the United States Naval War College and received a Masters of National Security and Strategic Studies. At graduation, the Naval War College invited him to join the faculty where he is presently a Professor of National Security Studies, while remaining an NCIS special agent. He's repeatedly received the Provost's "summa cum laude" award for teaching excellence. Special Agent Norwitz has been published in the prestigious *Naval War College Review*, *Military Review*, *Journal of Homeland Security*, *ITOA Journal*, and *Officer Review*. His scholarly work appears in *Terrorism and Counterterrorism: Understanding the New Security Environment* (McGraw-Hill: 2003), *American Defense Policy* 8<sup>th</sup> ed. (The Johns Hopkins University Press: 2005), *Practical Bomb Scene Investigation* (CRC Press: 2006), *Defending the Homeland: Historical Perspectives on Radicalism, Terrorism, and State Response*. (West Virginia University Press: 2007). He coauthored two books, *Armed Groups; Studies in National Security, Counterterrorism, and Counterinsurgency* (Naval War College: 2008) and *Breaking al-Qaeda* (Potomac Books: forthcoming). His articles have been translated into Spanish and Portuguese for publication in South America. He frequently lectures at some of the nation's most influential academic institutions and overseas to foreign navies and military audiences. Special Agent Norwitz holds the John Nicholas Brown Chair of Counterterrorism at the Naval War College and was voted Eastern Kentucky University, College of Business and Technology's, Distinguished Alumnus in 2006. He received the 21<sup>st</sup> annual Defense Department Counterintelligence Award for education excellence in 2008.

Special Agent Norwitz has three grown children. One is serving in the Air Force.