

NEIL J HALL - BRIEF BIOGRAPHY

Currently working for himself as a Maritime Policing and Security Consultant Hall was previously serving in the Royal Turks & Caicos Islands Police Force (RT&CIPF), as an Assistant Commissioner, where he was responsible for the policing and security of the Ports, Marinas, Maritime Borders and the Territorial Waters of the Turks & Caicos Islands (TCI).

As part of the RT&CIPF Senior Command Team he was the Change/Budget Manager for the Maritime Division and is also the TCI Co-ordinator for the Combined Regional Security Operation Bahamas, America, Turks & Caicos (OPBAT). He was a member of both the National Joint Law Enforcement (JLEC) and the Multi Agency Threat & Risk Assessment (MATRA) Committees and had the lead responsibility for addressing the threat of Criminal Gangs trafficking in illegal migrants, narcotics and firearms and for co-ordinating and improving the TCI Border Control Strategy. He was also the RT&CIPF's Project Manager for the build and development of the TCI's Coastal Radar Station and had the National responsibility for all Search and Rescue (SAR) Missions

Hall has been a member of the United Kingdom (UK) Sea Ports Commanders Group where he advised on maritime security issues at a national level and was also a member of the UK Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) Dive and Marine Practitioners Group. He is an expert in Chemical, Biological, Radiation and Nuclear (CBRN) Counter Terrorism training and response and was one of the original members of the UK Police National CBRN Practitioners Group. His advice on these subjects has also been sought by overseas Agencies, including the FBI.

Before taking up his appointment in the RT&CIPF, Hall served in the Sovereign Base Areas (SBA) Police in Cyprus, where he developed a wide range of policing skills, particularly in Critical Incident Command and Operational Policing. He was instrumental in initiating and bringing into service the SBA Police Marine Unit, as well as producing the CBRN Policy for the SBA as a whole. He took an active part in the introduction of both the National Intelligence Model (NIM) and Intelligence Led Community Policing (ILCP). Other key duties included Silver Firearms Commander, Public Order Commander and Police Liaison Officer to Headquarters British Forces Cyprus (HQ BFC).

Prior to joining the Police Service Hall was a Commissioned Officer in the Royal Navy, during which time he served in every type of surface combatant, twice held Sea Command and took part in several conflicts, including the Falklands War, Northern Ireland and the Gulf War. He was also frequently involved in maritime counter terrorism, force protection, port and littoral operations and the enforcement of international maritime law.

In 2009 Hall was voted Turks & Caicos Islands Person of the Year by the general public for services to maritime safety and security, humanitarian relief operations and crime fighting. He is an Associate Fellow of the Nautical Institute, a Member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police and the United States Naval Institute.