

## Bio of Retried Major W. M. (Marc) Nichols

Marc Nichols is currently the CEO of Shadow Company, a company formed to provide consulting and business development for law enforcement, engineering, and transportation technology in North America. This position has allowed Marc the opportunity to consult with senior management officials, plan and develop strategies, and market progressive technology.

Marc retired from the North Carolina State Highway Patrol (NCSHP) after achieving the rank of Major. His service spanned more than 30 years and focused exclusively in the fields of special operations, criminal investigations, and motor carrier enforcement operations. He was considered the leading subject matter expert in commercial motor vehicle enforcement with the NCSHP and served as the Governor's liaison to the North Carolina General Assembly. He was also considered the subject matter expert with trucks and terrorism and human trafficking. Marc served as a national instructor in the field of criminal interdiction, whereby he was awarded many international awards, including: the Charles E. Mills award, the El-Paso Intelligence Center award for Specialized Intelligence Sharing, and Intelligence Officer of the Year for Intelligence Gathering for the Drug Interdiction Assistant Program and Drug Enforcement Agency.

As Major with the NCSHP, Marc was a member of the command staff and was assigned to supervise special units that worked in conjunction with the DEA, US Marshalls Service, and the Violent Crimes & Domestic Terrorism task force with the FBI.

Marc is a graduate of Central Piedmont College, Mitchell College, Federal Bureau of Investigation (LEADS) and the executive leadership program at North Carolina State University.

Marc lives in Clayton NC with his wife Teena who is a school teacher. They have one son, Cliff, who is an attorney and works for the Department of Public Safety, and one daughter, Charlotte, who is also school teacher.

Marc serves on two committees for the President Pro Tem and those are the NC Human Trafficking Commission and the NC Sheriffs Justice and Standards Commission.