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David is the Anti-Defamation League's Vice President for Law Enforcement, Extremism and Community Security. He oversees ADL's operations combating extremism and terrorism, its work with law enforcement and its institutional security program. David served as the ADL's Washington DC Regional Director from 1988-2016. He has directed ADL's national law enforcement initiatives since July 2001.

David helped creating a number of ADL's national law enforcement programs. These include:

- ♣ ***Law Enforcement and Society***, a joint program of the Anti-Defamation League and the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, created at the request of Washington, DC's police chief, Charles H. Ramsey. The program has trained more than 130,000 law enforcement professionals and is a required part of training for all FBI New Agents and FBI National Academy participants.
- ♣ ***ADL's Advanced Training School***™, a counter-terrorism training program which has trained more than 1,200 federal, state and local police executives throughout the nation.
- ♣ ***The District of Columbia Bias Crimes Task Force***, a coalition of law enforcement and community organizations working to prevent hate crimes, which David co-founded with then U.S. Attorney Eric H. Holder, Jr. The Task Force was the model for the Hate Crime Task Forces established by the U.S. Department of Justice throughout the country.

David joined the staff of the ADL in 1985 as an Assistant Director in the Washington, D.C. Regional Office and served as the first Regional Director of ADL's Cleveland Office before being named Washington, DC Regional Director. David is the recipient of ADL's highest award, the Milton A. Senn Award for Professional Excellence.

Born and raised in New York City, David received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Brandeis University and Masters of Arts degrees from Columbia University. David and his wife, Patti, an educator, have been married for forty years. They have two children, Sylvie, a marketing executive in Washington, DC, and Jack, a sous chef in Brooklyn, New York, and two Chinooks, (a breed of sled dogs), Kai and Sydney. Although he has never set foot in Pittsburgh, he is a devoted fan of the Pittsburgh Steelers.

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