

Steven Jansen

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Mr. Steven Jansen is the Chief Operating Officer for the Association of Prosecuting Attorneys (APA). The association acts as a global forum for the exchange of ideas, allowing prosecutors to collaborate with all criminal justice partners, and conducts timely and effective training and technical assistance to improve the prosecutorial function. In addition, APA serves as an advocate for prosecutors on emerging issues related to the administration of justice, development of partnerships and implementation of problem-solving strategies.

Prior to joining APA, Mr. Jansen was the Director (2005-2009) of the National Center for Community Prosecution (NCCP) at the National District Attorneys Association (NDAA) in Alexandria, Virginia. NCCP coordinates training and technical assistance in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance for community prosecution initiatives around the country. Mr. Jansen has not only worked with our nation's prosecutors to further community prosecution, but has provided training and technical assistance abroad, most notably as a consultant for DOJ's International Criminal Investigative Training Assistance Program in Northern Uganda and for the U.S. State Department in Brazil. Mr. Jansen has provided international training on such topics as trial advocacy, rules of evidence, witness preparation, mediation, and crime scene investigations.

Mr. Jansen is a former prosecutor from Michigan, who during his tenure worked in two different jurisdictions (Macomb and Wayne County). While at Wayne County in Detroit, MI, he quickly gained experience as a trial lawyer assigned to the Circuit Court Trial Division. In 2002, as a community prosecutor, Mr. Jansen exhibited a proven ability to implement projects designed to reduce gun violence and provide for safer communities. He vertically prosecuted criminal cases arising out of targeted areas and restructured a non-fatal shooting response team. Mr. Jansen, while working with the Special Operations Unit as an advisor to H.I.T. (Homicide Investigative Taskforce), was responsible for the investigation and vertical prosecution of gang members in Detroit.

Mr. Jansen is a member of the National Sheriffs' Association. He also is a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), serving as a member of IACP's Crime Prevention Committee and Firearms Committee. He has authored the following publications: A Framework for High Performance Prosecutorial Services and Expansion to the Castle Doctrine- Implications for Policy and Practice.