# Lester Blount

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#### SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

A driven, knowledgeable and accomplished U.S. Secret Service Officer with over 21 years of experience, training, certification and licensing to execute the position of a U.S. Secret Service Officer. Expertly possess a keen working knowledge in the following key areas: Top Secret Clearance with Polygraph TS/SCI.. Emergency Management... Background Investigations .....Motorcade Route Security.. Recruiting.. Canine Explosives Detection ... Narcotics ... Munitions ... Smuggling ... Event Preparation ... Access Screening and Control... Intelligence Investigations ... Terrorist Threats ... High Profile Executive Protection Services ...Patrolling ... Monitoring ... Observing... Reporting... Protective Operations ... Criminal Tactics ... K9 Instructor Certification... Bomb Threats ... Countersurveillance Missions... Safety & Security Strategies ... Confidentiality ... Assets ... Logistics ... Supervisory Roles ... Training ... Policies & Procedures ... Regulations ... Demonstrates the ability to effectively interact with all levels of local and federal government officials, foreign leaders, staff and clientele. Take charge of situations and deliver desired results. Works well under pressure within a full range of complex and challenging, top secret and time sensitive assignments.

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

DEPARTMENT of HOMELAND SECURITY, Washington, DC 1997 – Present U.S. SECRET SERVICE OFFICER (Oct 2015 – Present) Provides physical protection to the Vice President's residence in Washington, DC and ensures a secure environment for protectees. Familiar with advanced countermeasures, and executes security operations that deter, minimize and decisively respond to identified threats and vulnerabilities. Demonstrated ability to coordinate efforts with other specialized resources including: the Airspace Security Branch; the Counter Sniper Team; the Emergency Response Team; the Counter Surveillance Unit; the Counter Assault Team; the Hazardous Agent Mitigation and Medical Emergency Response Team; and the Magnetometer Operations Unit. Other specialized resources also serve to provide protection from threats, including chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear materials and explosive devices.

### Explosive Detection Unit (K9) (June - Oct 2015)

Law enforcement handler and part of the Federal Protection Service Explosive Detection Canine Teams responsible for working with highly trained detections dogs. Conducted searches for a variety of explosive materials near building exteriors, parking lots, office areas, vehicles, packages, and people in and around federal facilities. A strong visible and psychological deterrent against criminal and terrorist threats. Assist federal, state, and local law enforcement partners. Uniformed Division Explosive Technician, United States Secret Service (USSS). Responsible for security sweeps and explosive detection for the safety of the President and Vice President and foreign diplomats. Provided security in ABUJA, AFRICA for the PRESIDENT, and NSA Samuel Berger during their meetings with Nigerian President Obasanjo.

### Recruiter (June 2001 -June 2003)

Effectively responsible for accession of recruits to meet United States Secret Service (USSS) requirements. Conducted recruiting activities throughout the United States. Guides candidates through the application and physical processes and training. Skilled in public speaking. Facilitated with the safety and protection of Vice President Cheney on September 11, 2001. Served in the Transportation Division as the lead motorcade driver for Vice President Dick Cheney.

# Lead Motorcade Driver (June - June 2001)

Acting Lead Motorcade Driver for Vice President Al Gore on a daily basis. Prepare vehicle and staff members for motorcade assignments. Responsible for security sweeps and explosive detection for the safety of the President and vice President and foreign diplomats. Personally, led the Vice President to the top-secret location during the attacks of 911 and was awarded and on spot cash award.

# White House Assignment (Dec 1997 - June 1999)

Provided physical protection to President Clinton's residence in Washington, DC and ensured a secure environment for protectees. Familiar with advanced countermeasures, and executes security operations that deter, minimize and decisively respond to identified threats and vulnerabilities. Demonstrated ability to coordinate efforts with other specialized resources including: the Airspace Security Branch; the Counter Sniper Team; the Hazardous Agent Mitigation and Medical Emergency Response Team; and the Magnetometer Operations Unit. Other specialized resources also serve to provide protection from threats, including chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear materials and explosive devices. Provided protection for the Oval Office, State floor dinners, and the West Wing functions. Worked several high-profile security details to include Pope John Paul II. Mandela, Ehud Barak, IMF/Word Bank and United Nations, Prime Minister of Israel. Supervised Philadelphia Police Department on magnetometer operation during the Republican Convention.

### EDUCATION/CERTIFICATION/LICENSING

Gun Carrying Permit for life
Police Training Program, Dec 1997 – March 1998
Federal Law Enforcement Training Center
United States Secret Service Specialized Training Course, March 1998 – May 1998
Diversity Training, University of Maryland Fire and Rescue Certification Institute
CPR/Trauma Certification Course
Secret Service Canine Explosive Detection Training Course, Jan 2003 – July 2003

#### **TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE**

MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, Adobe Acrobat Reader Social Media: Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter

Willing to Relocate

Excellent References Furnished Upon Request