## Jacksonville BFAEI Captain Robert "Robby" Stephens

Captain Stephens started his law enforcement career in the spring 1990 with the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office as a Bailiff for Circuit and County courts. In the fall of 1992 he became a police officer with the Green Cove Springs Police Department, leaving in June of 1996 to become a deputy sheriff with the Clay County Sheriff's Office. In June of 2003 Stephens joined the Division in the Bureau of Fire, Arson, and Explosives Investigations where he has served our Sunshine State greatly for the past 17 years.

Since 2004 Captain Stephens has also been an Instructor and Professor at numerous accredited Institutions and University's including the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, and the U.S. Department of Justice (ATF) He took these opportunities to continue to train and teach others about fire, arson, and explosive investigations.

Captain Stephens received his first Master's degree in Public Administration from Barry University in 2011, he then received his second Master's degree in Criminal Justice from Valdosta State University in 2013, and then completed his Doctorate in Public Administration in 2014 from Valdosta State University.

DIFS thanks Captain Stephens for his dedication and efforts in the fight against fire, arson, and explosives.

