

JOHN MEIZOSO

CAPTAIN (FIRE)

INSTRUCTOR, NCIER



PROFILE

JOHN MEIZOSO, a Captain with Miami-Dade Fire Rescue, has held key positions in the Communications Division, the Terrorism Response Bureau, and with the Miami-Dade Police Department's Incident Management Team and Rapid Deployment Force—an elite joint-response unit for critical incidents and major events of national importance. His work has involved collaboration with local, state, federal, and international agencies to improve safety and security throughout South Florida.

John is an active member of Florida Task Force I Urban Search and Rescue and serves on FEMA's Incident Support Team as a Planning Team Manager, having deployed to major disaster responses including Hurricanes Katrina, Maria, and Ian. He has served in leadership roles during emergency activations and his command-level experience includes hurricane response operations, Super Bowl XLI, and the 2007 U.S. Coast Guard Unified Support Exercise.



EXPERIENCE

C3 Pathways, Inc.

Oviedo, Florida, 2024 - Current

INSTRUCTOR

John is involved in classroom training and simulation hands-on training. He provides expert insight from his background with Fire Rescue.

www.c3pathways.com

Miami Dade Fire Rescue

Miami, FL, 2008 - Current

www.miamidade.gov/global/fire

2022 - Current

BUREAU OIC - AIRPORT FIRE PREVENTION DISTRICT

John collaborates with industry experts, oversees inspections, and manages plan reviews for airport construction projects. He researches alternative life safety systems and applies his working knowledge of the Life Safety Code, Florida Fire Prevention Code, and State Fire Marshal regulations.

2010 - Current

FIRE CAPTAIN

John oversees battalion operations, managing firefighting and emergency medical rescue teams. He directs personnel and resources at major incidents, provides guidance for rescue operations, and develops comprehensive training programs.

2012 - 2015

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT CAPTAIN COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

John managed large-scale projects, including radio deployments, system upgrades, and training programs for over

1,500 personnel. He worked closely with county agencies while developing key interagency partnerships.

2008 - 2009

BUREAU OIC - TERRORISM RESPONSE

While assisting with the development of the Bureau along with its SOPs and P&Ps, John responded to major incidents and fostered collaboration with law enforcement.

L2 Defence, Inc.

Middle River, MD, 2018 - Current

SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT

John serves as a Subject Matter Expert and evaluator for the US Military on exercises.

www.L2defense.com

University of Miami

Miami, FL, 2017 - Current

LEAD INSTRUCTOR

Working in the Gordon Center John develops and delivers instructional programs for first responders.

www.gordoncenter.miami.edu

“It’s not who I am underneath, but what I do that defines me.” - Bruce Wayne, Batman Begins

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KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS

Fire, EMS, and
Emergency Response



25+ years serving the citizens of Miami Dade County with numerous certifications from the State of Florida as well as in Urban Search & Rescue.

Emergency Management



Serves in the Miami Dade County Office of Emergency Management.

Intelligence / Fusion Center



Serves as the fire liaison at the Southeast Florida Fusion Center.

SPECIALITIES

- ★ NIMS/ICS
- ★ Fire Safety Inspector III (FL)
- ★ Fire Service Instructor III (Pro Board)
- ★ Hazardous Materials Technician (Pro Board)
- ★ Firefighter/Paramedic (FL)
- ★ Exercise Design and Evaluation
- ★ Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluations Program (HSEEP)
- ★ Emergency Management
- ★ Planning Section Chief (FL credentialed)

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

NIMS Certifications

IS-100, 200, 300, 400, 700, 800
Instructor qualified in all

National Domestic Preparedness Consortium (NDPC)

Instructor Certificate
PER 353, PER 352

Hurricane Deployments

Planning Team Manager
Florida Task Force 1 since 2005

FEMA Incident Support Team Member

Planning Section

State of Florida Incident Support Team Member

Planning Section Chief

Miami Dade Sheriff's Office Rapid Deployment Force Member

Other Certifications

State of Florida
Paramedic, Fire Officer IV, Fire Instructor III, Hazardous Materials Technician, Fire Inspector I

Urban Search and Rescue
Medical Speciality, Rescue Specialist, Planning Section Chief, Technical Information Specialist

American Heart Association
BLS, ACLS, PALS, and ASLS Instructor

Train-the-Trainer
Incident Command System
Community Emergency Response Team