

## **BIO**

### **Larry Strain**

Larry Strain has more than 25 years in the purchasing field and more than 13 years in executive management positions. An accomplished purchasing expert with a proven track record, purchasing everything from \$10m cranes to paper clips, from professional services to general labor. Professional solicitations, negotiations and sound recommendations are among his accomplishments.

Offering a rare blend of purchasing creativity while adhering to established rules and regulations is one of his strengths.

Larry spent the last 20 years with the Port Everglades Department of Broward County in all areas to assist the port in becoming a world class seaport. He authored the first procurement policy adopted by the Port Everglades Authority prior to it becoming a County Department.

Larry's exceptional track record in purchasing is based on his philosophy of cooperativeness and practicality. He is known for his ability to quickly identify solutions to challenges, work with the client to define their requirements and accomplish the purchase within the regulations.

Larry is excited about joining the Broward Sheriff's team and working with a great group of dedicated purchasing professionals, supply and fleet managers.

Larry holds two purchasing certifications from the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (NIGP); Certified Professional Public Buyer (CPPB) and Certified Public Purchasing Officer (CPPO). He also holds a certification from the Public Risk Management Association; Risk Management for Public Entities (RMPE). He currently serves on the Finance Committee of NIGP.