

Laurence Rankin has been a member of the Vancouver Police Department since 1987. He has worked in a variety of operational, investigative and administrative assignments including Patrol, Emergency Response, Justice Institute of BC Police Academy as a seconded instructor, Domestic Violence & Criminal Harassment, Home Invasion Task Force, Sex Crimes, Polygraph, Homicide, Professional Standards, and Major Crime. As an Inspector, Laurence Rankin led the Major Crime Section, General Investigation Section and the Integrated Riot Investigation Team. As a Superintendent, Laurence Rankin was assigned to Personnel Services, in charge of Human Resources, Professional Standards, and Training & Recruiting. Upon promotion to Deputy Chief in 2016, he was assigned to the Investigation Division where he is currently responsible for all investigative areas of the Department including Major Crime, Special Investigations, Organized Crime, General Investigations, Forensic Services, Tactical Support and Youth Services. He holds a Master of Arts (Criminal Justice), and in 2015 he completed the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police Executive Global Studies Program during which he studied international approaches to cybercrime. Laurence Rankin is also a Provincially Accredited Team Commander for major case investigations. Deputy Rankin sits on numerous local and provincial committees and working groups related to the opioid crisis, management of serious crime investigations, training standards and policy development. He is the recipient of five VPD Commendations, including two Chief Constable's Commendations. In 2018, Deputy Chief Rankin was appointed to the Order of Merit of the Police Forces by the Governor General of Canada.