



Captain Nelson's career with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department began in 1983, when he was assigned as a Community Service Officer at Santa Clarita Valley and Temple Stations.

He attended the Sheriff's Training Academy in 1986 and after graduating as a Deputy Sheriff, was assigned to the Pitchess Detention Center, North and South Facilities, Carson Station and Antelope Valley Station. At Antelope Valley Station, he worked assignments in patrol, the detective bureau, and as a Narcotics Bureau Investigator.

In 1994, he promoted to Sergeant and was assigned to Crescenta Valley, Altadena and Lancaster Stations, Narcotics Bureau and Detective Division Headquarters.

Captain Nelson promoted to Lieutenant in 2001 and was assigned to Century Station as the Detective Bureau Lieutenant, Lennox Station, Lancaster Station, Major Crimes Bureau and Homicide Bureau. In March of 2011, He returned to Lancaster Station as the Operations Lieutenant.

Captain Nelson holds a Bachelor's Degree in Workforce Education and Development from the University of Southern Illinois, a Master's Degree in Criminal Justice-Homeland Security from Tiffin University and is also a graduate of the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training's prestigious Command College.

Captain Nelson and his wife reside in Northern Los Angeles County. Their son is a junior in college and a professional flight instructor. In his spare time, Captain Nelson enjoys hunting and fishing, as well as most outdoor activities.