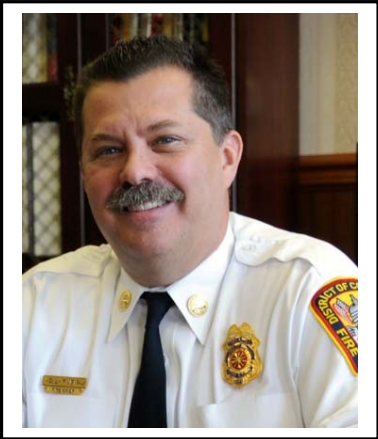


## Chief Dennis Rubin

### *Washington D.C. Fire Department*

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#### Biographical Sketch

On April 16, 2007, Mayor Adrian M. Fenty appointed Dennis L. Rubin Chief of the District of Columbia Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department – the same Department Rubin joined as a line firefighter at the age of 21. Rubin commands a staff of over 2,000 sworn and civilian employees and manages an annual operating budget in excess of \$180 million. The Department he leads is responsible for protecting more than 1.5 million people who visit, work, and live in the Nation’s Capital each day as well as safeguarding our precious national landmarks from the U.S. Capitol to the White House. Prior to his nomination, Rubin was the Fire Chief of the Atlanta Fire and Rescue Department.

Chief Rubin’s experience in fire and rescue service spans more than 35 years. He has served as a company grade officer, command level officer, and Chief in other cities including Norfolk, Virginia and Dothan, Alabama. In 1994, he served as the President of the State Fire Chiefs Association of Virginia. Rubin was the host Fire Chief for the 1999 Southeastern Fire Chiefs Association conference held in Dothan, Alabama. He serves on several committees with the International Association of Fire Chiefs, including a two-year term as the Health and Safety Committee Chair. Chief Rubin was the host Fire Chief for the “Wingspread IV and V” conferences held in 1996 and 2006.

Chief Rubin’s educational accomplishments include a Bachelor of Science Degree in Fire Administration from the University of Maryland and an Associates in Applied Science Degree in Fire Science Management from the Northern Virginia Community College. He is a 1993 graduate of the National Fire Academy’s Executive Fire Officers Program (EFOP). Rubin is a Certified Emergency Manager (CEM) and has obtained the Chief Fire Officer Designation (CFOD) and Chief Medical Officer Designation (CMO) presented by the Center for Public Safety Excellence.

Rubin’s teaching credentials are significant. They include a field instructorship with the University of Maryland Fire & Rescue Institute and associate instructorships with the Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia and Rio Salado Community College in Mesa, Arizona. Rubin has been an adjunct faculty member of the National Fire Academy since 1983. At the National Fire Academy he instructed, as well as developed, many courses. Rubin is a popular speaker and lecturer at the local, state, national and international levels.

Rubin is the author of a book entitled *Rube’s Rules for Survival* that is available through Penn Well Publishing. He is a long-standing contributing editor of *FIREHOUSE Magazine*, and has written more than 140 technical articles related to fire department operations, administration, training, and safety.

Chief Rubin has a strong commitment to community service and lives in Northwest Washington, D.C. He has three children -- Dennis II, Andrea, and Ashley -- and one grandchild named Luke.