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Speaker Bio:

John Scrivani has been working in the Emergency Response / Management community for over 28 years. In 2021 he served as Commissioner of Emergency Management for New York City until he returned to his previous position of Director of Safety, Security & Emergency Management for the Virginia Department of Transportation.

From 2017 - 2019 John served as the Deputy State Coordinator for Disaster Services at the Virginia Department of Emergency Management. From 2014 to 2017, he served as the Division Administrator for Safety, Security & Emergency Management at the Virginia Department of Transportation and in 2012/2013, John served as the Incident Commander of the New York City Hurricane Sandy Debris Task Force where he was charged with overseeing the removal of all storm related debris in New York City.

Previously, Scrivani served as New York City Office of Emergency Management Deputy Commissioner of Operations from 2009 - 2011. There he oversaw the agency's 24/7 Response, Watch Command and Notify NYC operations. In 2008-2009, Scrivani was Deputy Director of the Special Operations Division at the NYC Office of Chief Medical Examiner (OCME), where he also oversaw operations and safety for the World Trade Center Potential Human Remains Recovery Project and managed the ME Special Operations Response Team.

For 14 years, John worked as a member of the NYPD, where he retired as Commanding Officer of the Emergency Services Unit Hazardous Materials-Weapons of Mass Destruction Response Team and Training School. He was also a member of the NYPD elite Emergency Service Unit. During many of these assignments, John has led his team in the implementation of new ideas and technologies ranging from complicated databases for the World Trade Center projects, integrated SharePoint solutions for the Virginia Department of

Transportation and GIS programs with the Virginia Department of Emergency Management.

John currently serves as the Director of Safety, Security & Emergency Management for the Virginia Department of Transportation. He also serves as an instructor for hazardous materials/WMD response for DHS and DOE. John is a Certified Emergency Manager with the IAEM and a graduate of the State University of New York, Excelsior College.