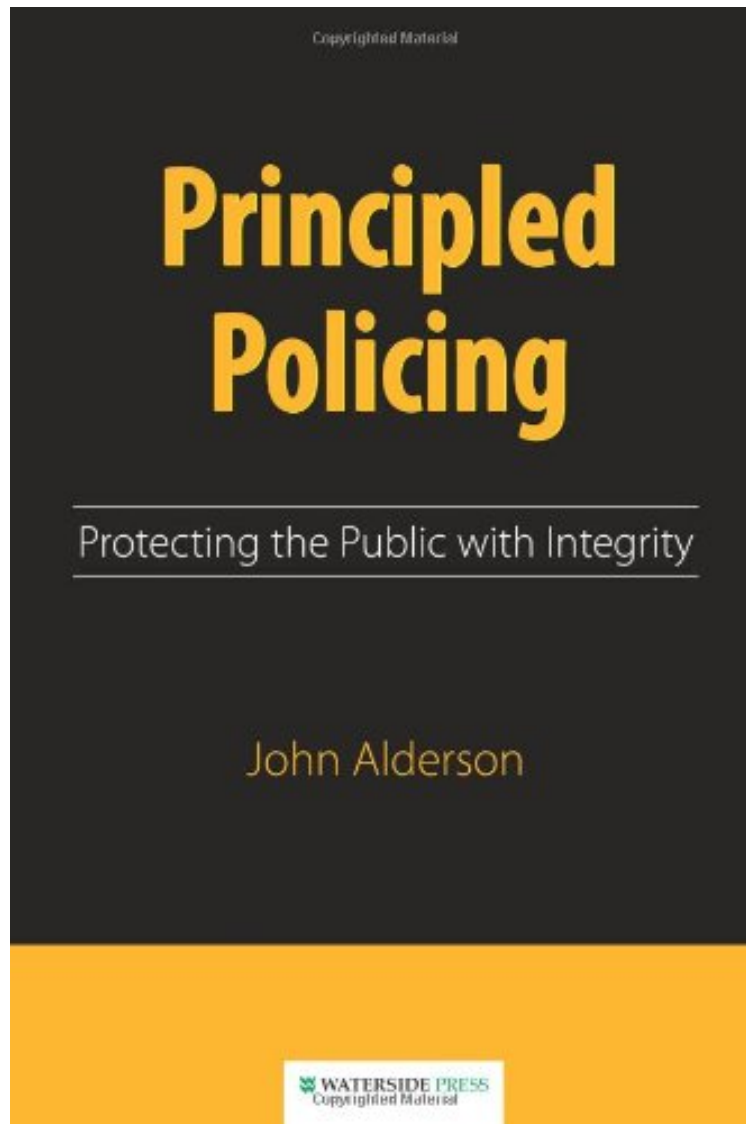


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A classic text about the need for fundamental principles for policing - by the father of community policing. John Alderson is well-known as the former chief constable of Devon and Cornwall and a leading exponent of liberal,

democratic values and human rights in relation to police work. In *Principled Policing* he demonstrates how it is all too easy for everyday police officers to fall into behaviour which becomes difficult to comprehend-as a result of working practices, working cultures, state manoeuvring and a lack of fundamental values for decision-making. Through his description of what he calls 'high police' and by way of worldwide examples-from Northern Ireland to Tiananmen Square, Nazi Germany to the FBI to the British miners strike of 1984/5-the author calls for decency, fairness and morality to act as touchstones for police officers everywhere. *Principled Policing* - which is dedicated to 'the innocent victims of the world's unprincipled policing' is now in use on courses for police officers looking to reach the very highest positions.

'The book... is excellent... I am using often during the seminars which we have in Macedonia': Trpe Stojanovski, 50 Police Division, Republic of Macedonia. About the Author John Alderson QPM is the former Chief Constable of Devon and Cornwall and enjoyed a high profile during his police career arguing for decency and morality in police work - and against the abuse of power. He is a barrister-at-law and police writer and scholar whose work is of international repute. His books have been translated into many languages (from Icelandic to Chinese) and are currently in use in police institutions worldwide. His police career, spanning 36 years, began as a foot patrol officer in the North of England. He later held some of the highest and most influential positions in British policing, including Commandant of the National Police Staff College, Bramshill and Assistant Commissioner, New Scotland Yard: his career culminating in his appointment as chief constable of Devon and Cornwall where, as a proponent of community policing, he developed its theory and initiated its early practice. In 1982 he was commissioned by the Council of Europe Committee for Education in Human Rights to write the European textbook for the training of European police officials, *Human Rights and the Police* (Strasbourg, 1984). His other published works include *The Police We Deserve* with P J Stead (Woolfe, 1973), *Policing Freedom* (Macdonald and Evans, 1979) and *Law and Disorder* (Hamish Hamilton, 1984). He was visiting professor of police studies at the University of Strathclyde from 1983 to 1988, has held fellowships at Cambridge, Oxford, Exeter and Portsmouth universities, and holds doctorates (Honoris Causa) from the universities of Exeter (Law) and Bradford (Letters).