Roy W. Minter Jr.

Roy W. Minter Jr. was sworn in on August 13, 2007 as the Chief of Police of Denton, Texas, a city of approximately 119,000 located north of the DFW metroplex. He began his law enforcement career with the Houston Police Department, where he served for 10 years as a police officer in the Special Operations Division/Tactical Services Bureau. In 1992, he joined the Aurora, Colorado, Police Department, where he served for 15 years, holding a wide variety of positions as he rose from patrol officer to district commander.

In April 2008, the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) presented Chief Minter with its Gary P. Hayes Memorial Award. The Hayes Award is presented annually to "up-and-coming" law enforcement professionals whose character, record of leadership, and commitment to better policing embody the ideals to which Gary Hayes was committed.

Chief Minter holds a bachelor's degree in Business Administration and a master's degree in Organizational Management from the University of Phoenix. He is also a graduate of the Police Executive Research Forum Senior Management Institute for Police. He also holds instructor certifications for teaching courses on Prevention and Deterrence of Terrorists Acts; Advanced Ethics; and Anti-Bias Policing. Minter serves on the board of directors of numerous professional and civic organizations.