

## 2019 Fort Worth BookFest Author Interview Series



... with **Victor Jones**, author of ...*Black Behind the Badge*...

**Where is your favorite place to read?**

In my bedroom.

**What is your favorite book to give an adult or a child?**

*Young Gifted and Black*.

**What books do you return to most often, whether passages or whole?**

Books dealing with politics.

**What is the last book that had you reading past your bedtime?**

*Mahammad Ali the Greatest His Own Story*.

**Who made reading important to you?**

My school teachers.

**BONUS QUESTION: What is your favorite book set in the southwest?**

*Business Law Text & Cases*.

### Author Bio

Victor was born in Tyler, Texas in 1959, where he attended public schools of the segregated south. He was part of the 1969 historical transformation from segregation to integration. A young African American male, he fortunately did not have many run-ins with law enforcement; when he did, it was rarely positive. Like many other African American youth, he developed a mistrust of any government agency. At age 19, he enlisted and spent seven years in the U.S. Coast Guard

During his twenty years as a Deputy Sheriff, he had the good fortune to work with good, decent people and the misfortune of working with some who were the exact opposite. Throughout his career, he faced difficult experiences and personal challenges, which he contributes to being a minority in law enforcement, a world dominated by Caucasian males. He had to find his place in that sometimes cruel and unfair environment throughout his career.

The negative experiences motivated him to share his personal memoir by writing *Black Behind the Badge*, not only for himself but for the many silent voices with similar experiences. He learned a great deal about all types of people, human nature, behaviors, and personalities through his many law enforcement experiences; but mostly he learned a lot about himself.

**Follow [Victor](https://www.facebook.com/BlackBehindtheBadge) to find out what's new him: [Facebook.com/BlackBehindtheBadge](https://www.facebook.com/BlackBehindtheBadge);**

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