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Ronald (“Ted”) West is currently a Life Safety Code Surveyor for The Joint Commission. In this role, he surveys the standards in the Comprehensive Accreditation Manuals for Ambulatory Care, Critical Access Hospitals, and Hospitals.

Prior to joining The Joint Commission, Mr. West was the Director of Fire and Life Safety at UT Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas, TX (1997-2012), Safety Manager at UT El Paso in El Paso, TX (1996-1997), and Chemical Safety Officer at UT San Antonio in San Antonio, TX (1994-1996).

Mr. West is a member of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and has three certifications from the NFPA including Certified Fire Protection Specialist (CFPS), Certified Fire Inspector - I (CFI), and Certified Fire Plans Examiner (CFPE).

Mr. West is a Certified Yellow Belt. With this designation, he supports The Joint Commission’s activities associated with establishing and sustaining a Robust Process Improvement® (RPI®) culture. As a Certified Yellow Belt, he is trained in the foundational concepts and tools of problem-solving and makes improvements to better meet customer expectations and organization objectives.

Mr. West received his Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry and his Master of Science degree in Environmental Science from the University of Texas at San Antonio.