



Harold Holmes has been an Executive Assistant for the County of Los Angeles Department of Animal Care and Control since September 2016. Harold was Deputy Director for the County of San Diego Department of Animal Services prior to joining the Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control. While at San Diego County Animal Services, he developed the Responsible Pet Ownership Program for animal-law violators, which won an award from the California State Association of Counties.

Harold obtained his J.D. at Western Sierra Law School, graduating as valedictorian. He was admitted to the State Bar of California in June 2013. Harold is a retired Chief of Police for Tulelake, CA., and a former U.S. Marine who was recalled to active duty for the Gulf War. His three-year stint managing San Diego County's Dangerous Dog Task Force inspired him to attend law school. He is a hearing officer, a trained mediator and teaches a variety of legal and law-enforcement related topics.

Harold also enjoys restoring old cars, home remodeling projects, camping, and traveling to museums and other historical places. His pets have included dogs and tortoises, but he currently has only one cat—a Russian Blue.