Alex Hodge  
Jones County Sheriff’s Office  
Mississippi

Sheriff Alex Hodge was born March 10, 1969 in Columbus, Lowndes County Mississippi to Willis E. Hodge and Deborah Ainsworth Hodge. He received an education from the Jones County School District and graduated from Northeast Jones High School in 1987. Alex is married to Sharla Lott Hodge of 30 years and they have two sons: Brayden and Bryson.

He is a faithful member of Glade Baptist Church where he serves as a licensed minister, deacon, and Sunday School Teacher.

Alex’s career in law enforcement began in 1987 when he served in the United States Air Force. After an honorable discharge, he joined the Miss Highway Patrol in 1994 where he served the State of Mississippi as a State Trooper for eight years. Alex ran for Sheriff of Jones County and was elected in 2007.

Sheriff Alex Hodge’s involvement includes:

- Elected to the National Sheriffs’ Association Board of Directors
- Past President of the Mississippi Sheriffs’ Association
- Appointed member of the Executive board of the Joint Terrorism Task Force by the FBI
- Active member of the Mississippi & National Sheriffs’ Associations
- Member of Kiwanis Club of Laurel

Sheriff Hodge works to move Jones County forward:

- Implemented working inmate farm and garden
- Implemented programs in the jail such as: Working Inmate Program, GED program, Outreach Ministry, and Partnered with City of Laurel Family First Program to implement Motherhood-Fatherhood Initiative programs.
- Partnered with Miss. Department of Transportation (MDOT) to provide Inmate Anti-Litter Program
- Established Community Appreciation Day

In addition to working to combat crime, Sheriff Hodge enjoys the following: speaking to students across the county about drug & alcohol prevention, character education, bullying, and prom safety. He also speaks to area civic groups, church groups, and neighborhood watch groups about home safety and crime prevention.