

Special Agent Kash Schriefer 2013 Guy Bradley Award

Special Agent Kash Schriefer of the Office of Law Enforcement's Metairie office in Louisiana was selected by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation as the Federal recipient of the 2013 Guy Bradley Award. This award, named after the first wildlife officer to die in the line of duty, recognizes individuals for lifetime accomplishments in wildlife law enforcement.

Schriefer has long been a nationally recognized expert on migratory bird enforcement and is a 25-year veteran special agent with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. He also spent seven years as a game warden with the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries before joining the Service's special agent ranks.

Over the course of his Service career, Schriefer has conducted more than 2,000 investigations of wildlife crimes that range from endangered species take to illegal commercial waterfowl hunting. At his first duty stations in Oklahoma and Dallas/Fort Worth, his cases included Gila monster trafficking and international import/export violations.

During his 15+ years in rural Louisiana, he provided a strong deterrent to illegal hunting and other wildlife crimes; built solid partnerships with State wildlife agencies; helped create a positive prosecutorial environment for the Service in Louisiana; and worked to secure forfeiture of collateral schedules that reflect the seriousness of wildlife crime.

Schriefer moved to the Metairie office in 2012 to work with wildlife inspectors there in targeting illegal wildlife trade and import/export non-compliance. His accomplishments also include serving on the interagency investigative team that responded to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico in 2010 and conducting search-and-rescue operations in New Orleans in the wake of Hurricane Katrina in 2005.