



OSBI Director Ricky Adams has served as a professional lawman for over 42 years. He began his career at the municipal level with the Elk City and Edmond Police Departments before joining the ranks of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol in 1986. Adams then continued a 32-year career, serving at every level within the Oklahoma Highway Patrol to include as the Assistant Commissioner for the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety. He was selected as Chief of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol in 2013 and served in that capacity until deciding to retire in November 2017. Adams was soon asked to delay retirement and join the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation as its Deputy Director in February 2018 and was later unanimously selected as Director, assuming command of the bureau on July 1, 2018.

Notably, US Army Major General (Retired) Ricky Adams is a combat veteran who retired in 2014 after 35 years of service in the Army National Guard.