

My name is Robert C. Dillon, but have gone by Bob most of my life. I am 63 years old, recently retired law enforcement officer. Last year, after living my entire life in the mountains of Colorado and Wyoming, I decided that I am tired of the cold and snow. I am looking to spend my winters in Texas and am seeking employment as a guide on a hunting ranch.

I was born in Colorado and moved to Wyoming when I was 12. My mother's side of the family homesteaded there in the late 1800's and had a large ranch there. I developed my life-long love of the outdoors while riding horseback, working cattle, haying and all the other jobs associated with ranching. This life style developed into my riding broncs and bulls in the rodeo, along with team roping and calf roping. From the ranch, I progressed to working dude ranches, taking summer pack trips into the mountains and eventually becoming a big game guide.

Hunting has always been a big part of my life. Initially, it was way feed me and my family. Once I began guiding other hunters, this became a passion that continues to this day. This passion has led me to hunting in Africa, England, several provinces in Canada, Alaska and all over the United States. I hunt with a bow, muzzleloader, rifle and handgun. I have taken many SCI record book animals, including the #5 handgun impala in Africa and the #1 handgun elk, Shiras moose and mountain goat here in Colorado. I have hunted whitetail deer, exotics and hogs many times in Texas.

After a stint in the U.S. Army, I began a career in law enforcement as the Town Marshall of a small oilfield boom town in Wyoming and this career lasted 41 years. For 32 years of this career, I was a certified law enforcement firearms instructor, teaching handgun, shotgun and patrol rifle. In addition, I was a Colorado Parks and Wildlife Hunter Education Instructor for over three decades. I also own and operate a self-defense firearms training company that the main focus was teaching concealed carry handgun classes. Experienced reloader, certified armorer and have done a lot of gunsmithing over the years. Court certified as a ballistic expert.

Even after becoming a law enforcement officer, I continued to work part-time as a big game guide. For several years, I owned and operated my own outfitting business here in Colorado. I guided hunters for elk, mule deer, pronghorn antelope, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, bear, predators, small game and birds. I consider myself an expert at field dressing, skinning and caping big game animals. I have been butchering my own meat all my life. I make my own sausage, jerky and am skilled at smoking meats. Pretty good cook, too. Over the years, I became very good at field judging big game animals and have rarely been off by more than a few points. In addition, I was a certified measurer for SCI and FNAWS for many years.

Growing up on ranch that had quite a predator problem, I became proficient at shooting, calling and trapping predators, mostly coyotes, but other predators, such as bobcats. Taking, skinning and dressing fur provided an additional income. In recent years, I began using electronic calls and night hunting with a thermal imaging scope.

With being a law enforcement officer, a guide, an educator and a business owner, I have been dealing with the public my entire life. This experience has taught me how to deal with people from all walks of life and how to handle any type of situation that may arise.

I am in the process of buying a toy-hauler travel trailer and just purchased a 2019 Polaris Ranger 570 side-by-side, which I would be willing to bring with me. I do have a 9 year old yellow lab that is great retriever that I trained from a pup that will be with me.

I am single and all my children are adults. I am 5'11 inches tall, weigh 190 pounds and am in pretty good shape. I am an early riser and am not afraid of hard work. I will be hunting elk here in Colorado in the middle of November, but will be available any time after that.

With my experience and knowledge, I feel that I could be a great asset on a hunting ranch.

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