



Trenton Police Department

Director Irving Bradley

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Trenton Police Department Announces Promotional Ceremony

PRESS ADVISORY

TRENTON - Trenton Police Director Irving Bradley, Jr. announced that on Friday, April 3, 2009 commencing at 11:00 am in the City Hall Council Chambers a ceremony will take place for the promotion of 12 Police officers to the ranks of Captain, Lieutenant, and Sergeant.

“This is a momentous time for the police department, a happy moment for those being promoted and for their families,” Director Bradley said. “And on behalf of the police department I would like to congratulate the officers for their accomplishments.” He added, “These officers have been part of the crime fighting strategies that have assisted in the crime rate decline.”

“From its innovations in technology to ComStat analysis and action planning, this police agency is placing emphasis where it ought to be – on continuous improvement,” Mayor Douglas H. Palmer said. “On behalf of our residents, I congratulate our new officers and thank them for their critically important focus on progress.”

The determining factors to promote each officer included not only passing the required State of New Jersey Civil Service test, but work habits, dedication, professionalism, supervisor’s recommendation, and an interview in front a “promotional panel” composed of the top Trenton Police Command staff.

Director Bradley continued and said, “Those being promoted have adhered to the Police Department adopted culture of accountability, information-driven community policing, and partnership with all law abiding residents.”

The following promotions will be effective on Friday, April 3, 2009:

- Captain Michael Flaherty**
- Captain Joseph Valdora**

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- **Lieutenant John Breece**
- **Lieutenant Christopher Doyle**
- **Lieutenant Rolando Ramos**
- **Lieutenant Leonard Sutton**
- **Lieutenant Timothy Thomas**

- **Sergeant Jason Astbury**
- **Sergeant Anthony Barber**
- **Sergeant Brian Egan**
- **Sergeant Michael Kruchinsky**
- **Sergeant Sheila Tatarek**

Nine of the 12 officers promoted had been performing the duties of their new rank in an acting capacity, due to budgeted vacancies in those positions.

- **Captain Michael Flaherty was acting as the Commander of the Trenton Police Special Operations Bureau.**
- **Captain Joseph Valdora was acting as the Commander of the Administration Bureau.**

- **Lieutenant John Breece was acting as the Commander of the North District.**
- **Lieutenant Leonard Sutton was an acting Lieutenant in the Criminal Investigation Bureau.**
- **Lieutenant Christopher Doyle was an acting Lieutenant in the Criminal Investigation Bureau.**
- **Lieutenant Timothy Thomas acted as the Commander of the Trenton Police Internal Affairs Bureau.**

- **Sergeant Anthony Barber acted as a Sergeant in the Trenton Police Human Resources Unit.**
- **Sergeant Brian Egan acted as a Sergeant in the Trenton Police Criminal Investigation Bureau Homicide Unit.**
- **Sergeant Sheila Tatarek acted as a Sergeant in the West District Commander's office.**

“Without any doubt these officers have proven to be competent officers, skilled supervisors and have what the department needs to fight crime and continue to expand the reality of community policing,” Director Bradley concluded.

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