



NEWS RELEASE

Paul M. Tiernan, Chief of Police

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SUBJECT: Newark Police Announce Promotions

Newark Police Department is proud to announce the promotions of two officers to supervisory positions: Corporal Christopher Jones to the rank of Master Corporal and Corporal Michael Watson also to the rank of Master Corporal.

The promotions were announced yesterday at a ceremony attended by police officers, family and friends and city officials including Mayor Polly Sierer, City Manager Carol Houck, and Police Chief Paul Tiernan. The Keynote Speaker for the ceremony was Lewis D. Schiliro, Cabinet Secretary for the Department of Safety & Homeland Security.

M/Cpl. Jones began his law enforcement career in 1996, with the Kalkaska County Sheriff's Department, in Kalkaska, Michigan. In 2003, he was hired by the Newark Police Department and attended the Delaware State Police Academy. M/Cpl. Jones was instrumental in the creation and development of the NPD K9 Program in 2006 and continues to patrol with his K9 partner, Kody.

M/Cpl. Jones holds many police certifications including Certified Police Instructor, Firearms Instructor, Taser instructor, Force on Force Instructor, and Active Shooter Instructor. M/Cpl. Jones is also trained in hostage negotiations and assists in teaching Search & Seizure and Laws of Arrest at both the Delaware State Police Academy and the New Castle County Police Academy.

M/Cpl. Jones has received numerous awards including the Knights of Columbus Officer of the Quarter Award, Lions Club Officer of the Year Award, MADD Lifetime Award, Multiple NPD DUI Enforcement Awards, and several Letters of Commendation and Unit Citations. Following his promotion M/Cpl. Jones will serve in the Patrol Division as an Assistant Shift Supervisor.

M/Cpl. Watson attended Rutgers University for both undergraduate and graduate studies. He joined Newark PD in 2006 and attended the Delaware State Police Academy. He has worked in both the Patrol and Criminal Divisions.

M/Cpl. Watson is the Department's Polygraph Examiner with certifications held by the American Polygraph Association, the American Association of Police Polygraphists, and the Maryland Polygraph Association. M/Cpl. Watson has been a Certified Police Instructor since 2012.

M/Cpl. Watson has received numerous awards including two DUI MADD awards, two Knights of Columbus Officer of the Quarter awards, and one Citation of Merit. Following his promotion M/Cpl. Watson will serve in the Patrol Division as an Assistant Shift Supervisor.

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M/Cpl. Christopher Jones



M/Cpl. Michael Watson

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