



**CITY OF CLEVELAND**  
Mayor Frank G. Jackson



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## **Mayor Jackson Promotes 22 Cleveland Police Officers**

*Officers Promoted to the Ranks of Captain, Sergeant*

**CLEVELAND** – Today, Mayor Frank G. Jackson administered the oath of office to twenty-two members of the Division of Police, promoting them in rank. One member was promoted from the rank of Lieutenant to the rank of Captain. Twenty-one members were promoted from Patrol Officer to Sergeant.

Those promoted participated in a Civil Service examination administered in April of 2018. The supervisors will attend supervisory training within the Cleveland Police Training Section in the coming weeks. The supervisors will then be assigned to the Patrol Section within the five neighborhood police districts, or to specialized units within the Division of Police.

### **The role of Captain:**

- Captains of Police are distinguished by TWO gold bars on each shoulder.
- Captains serve in an executive capacity and work closely with the leaders of Districts or Bureaus, and often provide relief for commanding officers during their absence.
- Captains **MUST** be well versed in applicable federal laws, state statutes and municipal ordinances, as well as possess an acute knowledge of the written directives of the Division of Police.
- Captains are expected to provide the leadership needed for accomplishing the goals and the mission of the Division.

### **The role of Sergeant:**

- Sergeants are identified by three stripes on each sleeve; sergeants are considered superior officers and must conduct themselves in a manner that earns respect from those they command as well as the public.
- Sergeants take on a tremendous responsibility for the Cleveland Division of Police, as it is the sergeant who plans, supervises, and reviews the work of our officers to ensure superior services to our citizens are delivered.
- Sergeants interpret, convey and ensure implementation of the Division's policies and directives coming from the Chief of Police. Sergeants will respond to critical incidents, and must be able to make quick and sound decisions.
- Sergeants must effectively communicate instructions to others while assuming the role of incident commander often during the most volatile stages of an incident.

**Promoted to Captain was Matthew Gallagher.**

**Promoted to Sergeant were:**

Jose Garcia	Sergeant	#9227
Christopher Mobley	Sergeant	#9228
Jacquelyn Bennett	Sergeant	#9229
Michael Harper	Sergeant	#9230
Kenneth Koney	Sergeant	#9231
Michael Chapman	Sergeant	#9232
Eric Newton	Sergeant	#9233
Kevin Walker	Sergeant	#9234
Christopher Hoover	Sergeant	#9235
Kenneth Ryan	Sergeant	#9236
Vincent Schneider	Sergeant	#9237
Barry Bentley	Sergeant	#9238
Ian Mussell	Sergeant	#9240
Jennifer Hernandez	Sergeant	#9241
Brian Middaugh	Sergeant	#9242
Thomas Barry	Sergeant	#9243
Saladin Sudberry	Sergeant	#9244
Justin Cajka	Sergeant	#9245
Higinio Rivera	Sergeant	#9246
Reginald Lanton	Sergeant	#9247
Ian Lower	Sergeant	#9248

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