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NEW JERSEY STATE PAROLE BOARD OFFICERS PROMOTED TO SERGEANTS

JAMES BIANCHINI AND BRIAN REED'S PROMOTIONS UNDERSCORE THEIR PROFESSIONALISM AND COMMITMENT TO THE AGENCY

TRENTON, NJ, SEPTEMBER 12, 2019 — In September, the New Jersey State Parole Board recognized the recent promotion of two officers to the rank of sergeant. After taking the oath of office, newly-minted Sergeants James Bianchini and Brian Reed received their new badges and supervisory assignments to manage parole officers in the agency's Sex Offender Management Unit

State Parole Board Chairman Samuel J. Plumeri, Jr. said, "The job of sergeant is one of the most challenging and important positions within the New Jersey State Parole Board. As a front-line supervisor, a sergeant mentors parole officers under their command, making them one of the most valuable members of a law enforcement team. Congratulations to Sergeant Bianchini for taking an important step in his career at the New Jersey State Parole Board."



"I look forward to the challenges ahead as a parole sergeant, and feel that my years as a parole officer in the Special Operations Group have prepared me to lead the dedicated officers who are such a critical part of this agency," said Sgt. Bianchini.

Sgt. Brian Reed said, "It is truly an honor to serve at the New Jersey State Parole Board and I am excited about my new role with the agency. The employees at the State Parole Board, sworn officers and civilian staff alike, are consummate professionals and work as a team to help ensure public safety and chart out reentry programs for individuals seeking to assimilate back into society. I am proud to be part of this team."

The New Jersey State Parole Board (SPB) is committed to promoting public safety, utilizing effective methods to aid supervised offenders in reentering society, and to reduce the recidivism of offenders while addressing the needs of crime victims. As required by law, appointed parole board members and staff conduct approximately 13,500 hearings per year, solicit input from victims, and decide upon parole matters. Nearly 400 sworn SPB parole officers supervise more than 15,500 offenders and act as New Jersey's primary law enforcement agency responsible for sex offender supervision. Additionally, SPB officers are also active partners with a variety of

federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies and task forces. Finally, the SPB's Community Programs Unit partners with government, non-profit, and private agencies to connect former inmates with vocational, mental health, and related services.

Photo Caption:

New Jersey State Parole Board Legal Unit Chief Robin Stacy (far left) and Chairman Samuel J. Plumeri, Jr. (far right) swear in new sergeants James Bianchini (second left) and Brian Reed (second from right).

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