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NEW JERSEY STATE PAROLE BOARD SWEARS IN 23 NEW PAROLE OFFICER RECRUITS

TRENTON, N.J., June 26, 2024 — Twenty-three Parole Officer Recruits who recently graduated from the Division of Criminal Justice Basic Course for Investigators were sworn in at the New Jersey State Parole Board's (SPB's) Central Office in Trenton on Thursday, June 20, 2024. Sixteen recruits previously served as sworn law enforcement officers in other departments. The new officers were sworn in by Dina I. Rogers, Esq., Executive Director.

The swearing-in ceremony was attended by SPB Chairman Samuel J. Plumeri, Jr.; Vice Chairman Ronald L. Slaughter; Board Members Kerri Cody, Frank DeVecchio, Allen DelVento, Robert Goodale, Thomas Haaf, James Jefferson, Charlie Jones, Trudy Steinhardt, and Clarence Taylor; Captain, Division of Parole, David Brooks; Division of Parole command staff; and other SPB staff members. Of the 23 new recruits, three are from Atlantic County, four are from Burlington County, one is from Camden County, two are from Essex County, four are from Gloucester County, two are from Hudson County, two are from Middlesex County, two are from Monmouth County, one is from Passaic County, one is from Somerset County, and one is from Sussex County.

The recruits completed a 21-week Police Training Commission (PTC) certified academy course, which included classes in de-escalation, mental health, arrest procedures, investigation techniques, parolee supervision, unarmed defensive tactics, and firearms training. These dedicated individuals are now empowered to act as law enforcement officers anywhere in the State of New Jersey.

Chairman Plumeri said, "On behalf of the State Parole Board, congratulations to all new recruits whose bravery, perseverance, and dedication have secured their positions within our agency. The contributions you will make are vital to achieving our goal of enhancing public safety and supporting the rehabilitation of formerly incarcerated individuals. We deeply appreciate the addition of your expertise, abilities, and enthusiasm to our team of Parole Officers."



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The graduating officers who were sworn in at the ceremony were:

Steven Aikens
Anthony Aliberti
Leo Brennan
Fizmal Cerda
Trent Darway
Mathew Dempsey
David Evans
William Ethington
Bradley Fagan
Shawn Gantt
Elijah Greene
Douglas Irwin

Brian Lance
Robert McNally
Evan Monge
Steeven Nicolas
Jibril Odom
Michael Rodrigues
Robinson Santos
Carmine Scarfo, Jr.
Suzette Solano
Julian White
Davonte Young

The mission of the New Jersey State Parole Board is to promote public safety and foster the successful rehabilitation of individuals under supervision through the implementation of policies that result in effective parole case management. A multitude of innovative parole initiatives assist the Board in addressing the needs of the community, crime victims, and offenders through responsible decision-making and supervision processes. These initiatives assist the New Jersey State Parole Board in meeting its important goals which include increased public safety, sustained recidivism rate reductions, and the successful and sustainable reintegration of offenders.

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