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CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES COMMAND STAFF PROMOTIONS AND CHANGES

CHICAGO — Chicago Police Department (CPD) Interim Superintendent Fred L. Waller today announced new command staff promotions and changes. These new and experienced command staff leaders will fill roles throughout the Department, including in the Bureau of Patrol, the Office of Constitutional Policing and Reform and the Bureau of Counterterrorism.

"These leaders bring invaluable experience to their new positions with the common goal of strengthening public safety," said Interim Superintendent Waller. "I also know their guidance and mentorship to the officers and supervisors under their command will include the next generation of CPD leadership."

Commander of the 17th (Albany Park) District – Jesse Alvarez

Commander Alvarez, a 24-year member of the Department, most recently served as a Commander in the Bureau of Patrol. Prior to that, he served as a Lieutenant in the 10th (Ogden) District. In this role, he led the District Coordination Officers as part of the Neighborhood Policing Initiative. He has also served as a Lieutenant in the 3rd (Grand Crossing) District. Prior to this, he worked as a 10th District School Sergeant, Field Sergeant and District Station Supervisor. Commander Alvarez holds a master of business administration in financial fraud from Saint Xavier University. He also holds a bachelor's degree in law enforcement management from Calumet College of St. Joseph.

Commander of the 20th (Lincoln) District – James M. Baier

Commander Baier, a 24-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Commander of the Criminal Network Group within the Bureau of Counterterrorism. He previously served as the Executive Officer of the 10th (Ogden) District. Prior to this, he served as the Tactical Lieutenant in the 4th (South Chicago) District and as a Lieutenant in the 6th (Gresham) District. As a Sergeant, he worked in the Bureau of Internal Affairs and the 8th (Chicago Lawn) District. Commander Baier holds a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Eastern Illinois University. He also attended the Police Executive Research Forum's (PERF) Senior Management Institute for Police in Boston, MA.

Commander of the 3rd (Grand Crossing) District – Melvin Branch

Commander Branch, a 23-year member of the Department, most recently served as a Lieutenant within the Bureau of Counterterrorism's Gang Investigation Division. In this role, he oversaw numerous teams, including the Firearm Investigation Teams, the Gang Investigation Teams and Task Force Teams. Commander Branch was also a Sergeant in the Gang Investigation Division and supervised the Firearm Investigation Team, which conducts firearm investigations, firearm traces and FOID revocations. He



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also served as a Sergeant in the 6th (Gresham) District and as a Homicide Detective in the Area 2 Detective Division. Commander Branch holds a bachelor's degree in Marketing from Grambling State University.

Commander of the Office of the First Deputy Superintendent – Galen T. Caldwell

Commander Caldwell, a 27-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Commander of the Special Functions Division. He previously served as the Commander of the Office of Community Policing and the Commanding Officer of the Intergovernmental Affairs Section. As a Lieutenant, he has served as a Watch Operations, Training Liaison and Tactical Lieutenant in the 5th (Calumet) District. He also served as a Field Lieutenant in the 1st (Central) District. As a Sergeant, he was a supervisor in the Legal Affairs Division, serving within the Litigation Support & Discovery Unit. He was also an Investigator in the Bureau of Internal Affairs' Special Investigations Section, a Sergeant with the CAPS Project Office, an Administrative Liaison to the Chicago Public Schools' Office of Safety and Security, a Community Policing Sergeant in the 5th District and a Field Sergeant in the 7th (Englewood) District. Commander Caldwell holds a Juris Doctor degree from Chicago-Kent College of Law. He is a licensed attorney and also an active member of the Chicago Bar Association. He also holds a bachelor's degree in vocal music performance from Chicago State University.

Executive Officer of Area 3 - Elizabeth Collazo

Commander Elizabeth Collazo, a 23-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Commander of the 14th (Shakespeare) District. She previously served as the Watch Operations Lieutenant in the 17th (Albany Park) District. Prior to this, Commander Collazo was the Watch Operations Lieutenant in the 25th (Grand Central) District and 11th (Harrison) District. She has also served as a Sergeant in the 25th District, the 8th (Chicago Lawn) District and on the Area North Saturation team. Commander Collazo holds a bachelor's degree from Northeastern Illinois University.

Commander of the Office of Community Policing – Karla Johnson

Commander Johnson, a 20-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Lieutenant in the Office of the Superintendent. While serving as the Lieutenant, she managed and coordinated time-sensitive projects for the Department. Prior to this, she was the Lieutenant in the Crime Prevention and Information Center and assisted in overseeing the unit. While a Sergeant, Commander Johnson worked within the Human Resources Division where her duties included conducting criminal background checks, coordinating national training for Department members and processing transfer and promotion materials for sworn members. She also served as a Sergeant in the 3rd (Grand Crossing) District and an Evidence Technician within the Bureau of Detectives. Commander Johnson holds a master's degree in Business Administration from Saint Xavier University and a bachelor's degree in Psychology from the University of Illinois Chicago. She also graduated from the Northwestern University Center for Public Safety School of Police Staff & Command.



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Commander of the Office of Constitutional Policing and Reform - Sean Joyce

Commander Sean Joyce, a 28-year member of the Department, most recently served as Commander of the 22nd (Morgan Park) District. He also served the 22nd District as the Executive Officer. He previously served as a Captain in the Office of Legal Affairs and the 4th (South Chicago) District. He also served as a Lieutenant in the 5th (Calumet) District, the Office of Management and Labor Affairs, and as the Commanding Officer in SWAT. Commander Joyce holds a Ph.D. and a master's degree in values-driven leadership from Benedictine University, a master's degree in criminal justice from the University of Oklahoma, a law degree from Loyola University Chicago, and a bachelor's degree in accounting from DePaul University. He also attended the FBI National Academy.

Commander of the 22nd (Morgan Park) District – Brian Kinnane

Commander Kinnane, a 22-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Tactical Lieutenant in the 22nd (Morgan Park) District, which he will now command. As the Tactical Lieutenant, he was tasked with responding to and proactively preventing crime in high-level gang conflict areas. He has also served the 22nd District and 5th (Calumet) District as a Watch Operations Lieutenant. Before becoming Lieutenant, Commander Kinnane served as a Gang Enforcement Team Sergeant and Gun Team Sergeant in Area Central. He was also a Gun Team Sergeant in Area Four. He also worked in the 6th (Gresham) District as a Tactical Sergeant and Watch Sergeant. During his career, Commander Kinnane has received specialized training, including Incident Response to Terrorist Bombing training at the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology and Weapons of Mass Destruction Tactical Operations training presented by Louisiana State University. Commander Kinnane holds both a master's degree and a bachelor's degree in Organizational Leadership from Lewis University. He is also actively involved in Special Olympics Illinois as a volunteer and advocate.

Commander of the Special Functions Division – Thomas Lamb

Commander Lamb, a 32-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Executive Officer of the Special Functions Division. Commander Lamb has years of experience in the Special Functions Division, previously serving as the Commanding Officer of the Department's SWAT Team. Before his promotion to Captain, he served as a Watch and Field Lieutenant in the 9th (Deering) District. While he was a Sergeant, Commander Lamb was the Acting Commanding Officer and Assistant Commanding Officer of the SWAT Team. He was also the Assistant SWAT Commanding Officer on the Mobile Strike Force and a Rapid Response Sergeant in the 4th (South Chicago) District. He also served the 8th (Chicago Lawn) District Tactical Team for five years during his early career as a police officer. Commander Lamb also has extensive training in areas such as Crisis Negotiation, Dignitary Protection and Crisis Intervention. He holds a master's degree in Business Administration from Saint Xavier University and a bachelor's degree in Business Management from North Central College. Commander Lamb also attended the FBI National Academy.



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Commander of the 14th (Shakespeare) District – Melinda Linas

Commander Linas, a 23-year member of the Department, most recently served as Commander in the Office of Constitutional Policing and Reform, overseeing the Tactical Review and Evaluation Division (TRED), the 4th Amendment Stop Unit, CompStat, Strategic Initiatives Division and the Court Section. She was previously the Commander of the Community Safety Team (CST) West, where she also served as a Lieutenant. Commander Linas previously served as a Watch Operations Lieutenant in the 25th (Grand Central) District. She also served as a Sergeant in the Bureau of Organizational Development, Freedom of Information Act Section, Bureau of Organized Crime Vice Section and in the 15th (Austin) District. Additionally, Commander Linas earned a bachelor's degree from Marquette University and served in the Army National Guard and Reserves where she attained the rank of Lieutenant. She holds a law degree from the John Marshall Law School and has been an active member of the Illinois Bar Association since 2008. She is also a graduate of the Police Executive Research Forum's Senior Management Institute for Police Session 88.

Executive Officer of Area 1 – Brendan McCrudden

Commander McCrudden, a 24-year member of the Department, most recently served as Commander of the 20th (Lincoln) District. He had previously served as Captain of the 9th (Deering) District. Commander McCrudden has a diverse background in the department. He was a Lieutenant in the 9th District, a Sergeant for the Area North Detective Division and a Mobile Strike Force Sergeant. Additionally, Commander McCrudden served as a Detective in the Area 5 Detective Division. He was also assigned to SWAT and the Special Operations section. Commander McCrudden also teaches students about policing and community relations at Norwood Park School. He earned a master's degree in Public Safety Administration from Lewis University and a bachelor's degree in Teaching from the University of Illinois Chicago. Commander McCrudden also attended the Northwestern University Center for Public Safety School of Police Staff & Command.

Commander of the Inspections Division - Patrick J. McKenzie

Commander McKenzie, a 29-year member of the Department, will also continue to serve as the Commander of the Community Safety Intervention Unit, as well as the Commander of the Inspections Division. He has also served as the Commander of the 11th (Harrison) District. Prior to that, he served as the Executive Officer in the same district. He also worked as a Tactical Lieutenant in the 11th District and as the Watch Operations Lieutenant in the 7th (Englewood) District. As a Sergeant, he worked in the 6th (Gresham) District as the School Liaison, Mission Team and Tactical Sergeant. Commander McKenzie holds a bachelor's degree in Public Safety Management from Calumet College of St. Joseph. He attended the Northwestern University Center for Public Safety School of Police Staff & Command. Commander McKenzie also recently attended the Police Executive Research Forum's (PERF) Senior Management Institute for Police Session 88.



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Commander of the 15th (Austin) District – Carlin Morse

Commander Morse, a 25-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Captain of the 020th (Lincoln) District. While in the 20th District, Commander Morse assisted in overseeing District operations and providing direction to District personnel. He also served as a Captain and Lieutenant in the Office of Community Policing. While there, he supervised program development aimed at enhancing community engagement and building community trust. Prior to this, he was the Commanding Officer of In-Service Training at the Training Academy. He directed in-service training for LEMART, Tactical Response Unit, Driving School, Procedural Justice and Use of Force Sections. He also served the 3rd (Grand Crossing) District and 2nd (Wentworth) District as a Lieutenant. As a Sergeant, he worked at the Training Academy, the Research & Development Division, the Crime Prevention Information Center and the 3rd District. He was also a Detective in the Bureau of Detectives in Area 1 and Area 4, as well as a Detective in the Bureau of Internal Affairs. Commander Morse holds a master's degree in Business Administration from Saint Xavier University and a bachelor's degree in Public Safety Management from Calumet College of St. Joseph.

Executive Officer of Area 4 – Andre Parham

Commander Parham, a 26-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Commander of the 15th (Austin) District. Before this, he was the Executive Officer of the 11th (Harrison) District. He previously served as a Lieutenant in the Area 4 Detective Division, the Bureau of Internal Affairs and in the 22nd (Morgan Park) District. Prior to that, he was a Sergeant for Area South's Violent Crimes Unit. He also served as a Tactical Team Sergeant in the 15th District. Commander Parham holds a master's degree in Public Administration from Lewis University and a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from Chicago State University. Commander Parham also attended the FBI National Academy.

Commander of the 2nd (Wentworth) District – Yakimba Phillips

Commander Phillips, a 24-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Commander of the Office of Constitutional Policing and Reform. She previously served as the Commander of the Recruitment and Retention Section. Prior to her promotion to Commander, she was a Field Lieutenant and Watch Operations Lieutenant in the 5th (Calumet) District. Prior to this, she served as the Administrative Sergeant, the Accountability Sergeant, the Strategic Decision Support Center (SDSC) Sergeant and as a Beat Sergeant in the 2nd District (Wentworth). Commander Phillips holds a bachelor's degree in general studies from Roosevelt University and she is currently earning her Masters of Science in Law Enforcement and Public Safety Leadership. She is also a graduate of the Police Executive Research Forum's Senior Management Institute for Police.

Commander of the Criminal Network Group - Joshua Wallace

Commander Wallace, a 23-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Commander of the 2nd (Wentworth) District. Prior to being promoted to Commander, he also served the 2nd District as the Tactical Lieutenant. He previously spent time in many areas of the Department, including time as a Lieutenant in the 4th (South Chicago) District, a Sergeant in the 6th (Gresham) District and in the



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Narcotics Section. He also served in the Summer Mobile Patrol Unit. Commander Wallace holds a bachelor's degree from Calumet College in law enforcement management. He graduated from the Northwestern University Center for Public Safety School of Police Staff & Command and attended the Police Executive Research Forum's (PERF) Senior Management Institute for Police. He also attended the FBI National Academy.

Executive Officer of Area 2 - Roderick Watson

Commander Watson, a 26-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Commander of the 3rd (Grand Crossing) District. Commander Watson most recently served as a Lieutenant in the 11th (Harrison) District. As a Sergeant, Watson served in the Bureau of Patrol in the Gang Violence Reduction Strategy (GVRS) section. He also served as a Sergeant in the Narcotics Division and as a Tactical Sergeant in the 3rd District. Watson holds a bachelor's degree in political science and a master's degree in education and psychology from Chicago State University. He also graduated from Northwestern University Center for Public Safety School of Police Staff & Command and currently attending the University of Chicago Policing Leadership Academy.

Captain of the 7th (Englewood) District - Darwin Butler

Captain Butler, a 28-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Watch Operations Lieutenant in the 3rd (Grand Crossing) District. He was previously the Tactical Lieutenant in the same district and a Watch Operations Lieutenant in the 11th (Harrison) District. While a Sergeant, Captain Butler served on the Mayor's Detail. He was also a School Liaison Sergeant in the 7th (Englewood) District and a Sergeant in the Narcotics Section. Captain Butler holds a master's in Psychology of Police from Adler School of Professional Psychology and a bachelor's degree in Law Enforcement Management from Calumet College of St. Joseph.

Captain of the 19th (Town Hall) District - Terence Forbes

Captain Forbes, a 28-year member of the Department, most recently served as the 16th (Jefferson Park) District Tactical Lieutenant. He was previously a Watch Operations Lieutenant in the 5th (Calumet) District. He was also in the 12th (Near West) District as a Rapid Response Sergeant and Gang Team Sergeant. He later worked in the Gang Enforcement Division and Gang Investigation Division. Captain Forbes holds a bachelor's degree in Interdisciplinary Studies from Northeastern Illinois University.

Captain of the 18th (Near North) District - David Koenig

Captain Koenig, a 24-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Tactical Lieutenant in the 18th (Near North) District. Captain Koenig has also worked in the 25th (Grand Central) District and 11th (Harrison) District as a Watch Operations Lieutenant. As a Sergeant, Captain Koenig worked within the Bureau of Organized Crime in the Narcotics Division. Additionally, he worked within the Bureau of Patrol in the 2nd (Wentworth) District. Captain Koenig holds a bachelor's degree in Public Safety Management from Calumet College of St. Joseph.



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Captain of the 12th (Near West) District - Thomas W. Ryan

Captain Ryan, a 22-year member of the Department, most recently served as the Tactical Lieutenant in the 12th (Near West) District. Prior to this, he was a Watch Operations Lieutenant in the 5th (Calumet) District. While a Sergeant, Captain Ryan worked in different units within the Bureau of Patrol. He was an Area Central Gang Enforcement Sergeant, a 12th District Tactical Unit Sergeant, and Tactical and Patrol Sergeant in the 7th (Englewood) District. Captain Ryan holds a master's degree in Business Administration Management from Saint Xavier University and a bachelor's degree in Law Enforcement and Justice Administration from Western Illinois University.

Captain of the 20th (Lincoln) District - Fredrick Ulleweit

Captain Ulleweit, a 24-year member of the Department, most recently served as a Field Operations Lieutenant in the 20th (Lincoln) District. He was also a Field Operations Lieutenant and Watch Operations Lieutenant in the 12th (Near West) District. Additionally, he worked in the 10th (Ogden) District as a Watch Operations Lieutenant and a Tactical Lieutenant. Captain Ulleweit was a Field Operations Lieutenant in the 11th (Harrison) District as well. Prior to this, he was a Sergeant in the 9th (Deering) District, a Gang Sergeant in the Bureau of Organized Crime, and a Tactical Sergeant in the 11th District. He was also a Project Safe Neighborhood Federal Task Force Sergeant. Captain Ulleweit holds a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from Benedictine University.

Captain of the 10th (Ogden) District - Nick Zodo

Captain Zodo, a 26-year member of the Department, most recently served as the 10th (Ogden) District Tactical Lieutenant. He has served as the Tactical Lieutenant in the 12th (Near West) District and 14th (Shakespeare) District as well. As a Sergeant, Captain Zodo served in the Gang Enforcement Unit and the 11th (Harrison) District Tactical Team. Captain Zodo holds a master's degree in Criminal Social Justice from Lewis University and a bachelor's degree in Criminal Social Justice from the University of Illinois at Chicago.

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