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DOCJT ANNOUNCES PERSONNEL CHANGES

*John Schwartz named Basic Training Branch Manager along
with six new section supervisor assignments*

Richmond, Ky. (Sept. 9, 2015) – John Schwartz recently was named Basic Training Branch manager at the Department of Criminal Justice Training. Schwartz has served DOCJT for more than 10 years, beginning with the Kentucky Community Preparedness Program. He transferred from KCPP to DOCJT’s Investigations Section as an instructor in 2005. He has instructed in Advanced Individual Training for eight years, on topics such as criminal investigation, interview and interrogation, homicide investigative techniques and cold case investigation. In 2013, Schwartz was promoted to DUI Enforcement Section supervisor and transferred to General Studies Section supervisor earlier this year.

“The promotion to branch manager gives me the opportunity to see the Basic Training Branch in a different light,” Schwartz said. “Instead of being focused on just one section, I can look at all three sections and figure out how each section can best work together to provide the best possible training to our recruits.”

In addition, Schwartz hopes to expand cross-training opportunities between knowledgeable DOCJT instructors in other branches, to create the strongest knowledge base for DOCJT training across the board.

Schwartz retired after serving 20 years with the New York City Police Department, where he was a detective for nearly 13 years. He spent the last eight years of his NYPD career assigned to the homicide squads in Brooklyn South and the Bronx.

In addition to Schwartz’s promotion to Basic Training Branch manager, Fran Root has been named manager of the Advanced Individual Training Branch and Karen Cassidy has been named manager of the Skills Training Branch. Several DOCJT section supervisor positions have also changed.

AIT Branch

Roy Jude – Patrol/Traffic Section (May 1)

Basic Training Branch

Van Spencer – DUI Enforcement (May 1)

Rob Ramsey – General Studies (Sept. 1)

Mike Keyser – Evaluations (Sept. 1)

Skills Branch

Jim Simpson – Firearms (Sept. 1)

Lindsay Hughes – Vehicle Operations (Sept. 1)



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