



## **Division of Capitol Police News Release**

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### **Seven Capitol Police Officers Graduate From Academy**

**DISPUTANTA, VA** -- Seven new Division of Capitol Police officers graduated Thursday night, Sept. 7, from the 89th Basic Law Enforcement Academy at the Crater Criminal Justice Training Academy.

The officers covered 1,300 Department of Criminal Justice Services-mandated training objectives during the 26-week academy in Prince George County. Upon returning to Richmond, the seven officers will undergo extensive field training with Division-certified Field Training Officers before being assigned to their respective shifts.

“Law enforcement is a rapidly changing and challenging profession, and I applaud our new officers for making a selfless choice to serve others with honor,” said Col. Anthony S. Pike, Chief of the Division of Capitol Police. “We look forward to them helping us provide progressive law enforcement and security services to the Commonwealth of Virginia.”

Several of the Capitol Police graduates distinguished themselves among the 20-member 89th class. DeVante’ A. Waller finished first overall in academics and was the class secretary/treasurer, Alexander R. Willetts was third in academics and received the 89th’s highest score on the state examination, David M. Sandoval was third in driving and was the class chaplain, and David O. Nash was third in firearms.

The seven are:

Officer Ashley D. Berryman, of Greenville, NC  
Officer Nicholas C. Ferguson, of Henrico County, VA  
Officer Donald Freeman, of Toano, VA  
Officer David O. Nash, of Hopewell, VA  
Officer David M. Sandoval, of Christiansburg, VA  
Officer DeVante’ A. Waller, of Richmond, VA  
Officer Alexander R. Willetts, of Chesapeake, VA

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