

FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE

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LETTER TO THE MEMBERSHIP

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Brothers and Sisters,

As previously reported, in April 2021, the federal district court that heard the discrimination case filed against the Prince George's County Police Department (by several individual officers, by HNLEA, and by UBPOA) issued a partial preliminary injunction affecting the normal promotional process that has existed for many years and, in part, has been negotiated by the FOP and the County.

Over this past weekend, the County/Department finally issued and implemented the expected promotional eligibility list, resulting in 40 new Sergeants, 24 new Lieutenants, and 11 new Captains (as well as 4 Majors and 2 Deputy Chiefs). Congratulations to all.

Understandably, the FOP's attention has turned to those officers remaining on these promotion lists, as well as the regularly scheduled noncompetitive promotion examinations for Private First Class and Corporal that normally would be held in October. We have reached out on those issues and cannot report anything definitive at this point in time. Rest assured, however, that we are urging the maximum possible use of the current promotional lists and prompt determination on the process to be followed for the lower ranks. This should include, in the FOP's view, a continuation of the current competitive promotional eligibility registers (lists) until the ordered 60 days prior to the actual scheduled date of the next competitive examination. This has not occurred and could end up being anytime between October and well into 2022. Therefore, the FOP further believes that the current eligibility registers (lists) remain active.

The FOP also has been urging the County to issue a statement reporting upon, in clear and unmistakable terms, the status of these matters. If necessary, the FOP is prepared to seek relief from the court if the County does not communicate promptly about its intent under the partial court injunction. In this regard, it is worth noting that the court has retained jurisdiction and may clarify or amend its order whenever the court deems necessary.

We will continue to demand that the County protect the integrity of the ongoing promotional cycles and will continue to report to the membership as warranted. To date we have been the only source of information to our membership on this issue as the County and the Department have remained silent.

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