



Madison Police and Fire Commission Monthly Report

Timothy J. Patton, Captain of Police

January, 2024

Promotions and Probationary Status

PFC Approval—Interim Approval for Promoted Positions (Step 1)

Name, Promoted Rank	Prior Rank	Effective Date
Bradley Frias, Detective	Police Officer	2/4/2024
Ruben Gonzalez, Detective	Police Officer	3/3/2024
Jared La Porta, Detective	Police Officer	3/17/2024
Daniel Frei, Sergeant	Police Officer	2/4/2024
Jason Baumgart, Sergeant	Police Officer	4/14/2024

PFC Approval—File Review and Candidate Discussion (Step 2/Step 3)

Name, Promoted Rank	Current Rank	Effective Date
Ashley Knapp, Detective	Police Officer	2/4/2024
Alexa Graham, Detective	Police Officer	2/4/2024

PFC Approval—Completion of Probationary Period (Step 4)

Name, Promoted Rank	Off Probation Date
Brian Covington, Sergeant	1/22/2024
Hannah Johnson, Detective	2/5/2024
Matthew Tye, Assistant Chief	2/5/2024
Shannon Blackamore, Captain	2/5/2024
Eric Vosburg, Lieutenant	2/5/2024

Probationary Status Extension

Name, Rank	Revised Off Probation Date
None	

PFC Notice of Acting Promotion

Name, Promoted Rank - Acting	Prior Rank
Jessica Sosoka, Sergeant	Police Officer

Retirements and Resignations

Name, Rank	MPD Start	Effective Date
Kathy Peterson, Detective	9/8/1998	2/24/2024

2023-24 Hiring Process Updates

2023-24 Hiring Process – Eligibility & Hiring List

- Eligibility List: New candidates for consideration
- Hiring List: 2 New candidates for consideration
- Preview of February

PSIA Report/Discipline Attachments and Notices

- Professional Standards Open Case Memo
- No suspensions requiring notification to the PFC

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Jenna Rousseau, Counsel for PFC
Andy Schauer, Assistant City Attorney
Shon F. Barnes, Chief of Police

Madison Police Department
CORRESPONDENCE / MEMORANDUM

Date: December 15, 2023

To: All Personnel

From: Shon F. Barnes, Chief of Police

Re: **Promotion Announcement**

It is my pleasure to announce to the organization the following promotion, contingent on the approval of the Police and Fire Commission:

Police Officer Ruben Gonzalez to Detective

Police Officer Ruben Gonzalez started his career with the MPD in May of 2016. He is currently assigned to the Burr Oaks Brams Addition Neighborhood Police Officer position in our South District. During his tenure with the MPD, Officer Gonzalez has been a patrol officer, a mounted patrol police officer, a member of MPD's Special Events Team and a member of Amigos en Azul.

Officer Gonzalez obtained his Masters in Social Work from Our Lady of the Lake University. He also attended the University of Wisconsin-Madison where he received a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work with certificates in Criminal Justice and Integrated Liberal Studies.

Please join me in congratulating Officer Gonzalez on this well-deserved accomplishment!



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To: All Personnel

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Re: **Promotion Announcement**

It is my pleasure to announce to the organization the following promotion, contingent on the approval of the Police and Fire Commission:

Police Officer Jared La Porta to Detective

Police Officer Jared La Porta started his career with the MPD in May of 2018. He is currently assigned to patrol services in the Central District (first detail). Officer La Porta is a field training officer, a member of MPD's Honor Guard, an adjunct instructor, a SWAT Bearcat Operator and an investigative support officer.

Officer La Porta obtained his Juris Doctorate from Albany Law School of Union University in New York. He also attended the University of Wisconsin-Madison where he earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in History.

Please join me in congratulating Officer La Porta on this well-deserved accomplishment!



Madison Police Department
CORRESPONDENCE / MEMORANDUM

Date: December 22, 2023

To: All Personnel

From: Shon F. Barnes, Chief of Police

Re: **Promotion Announcement**

It is my pleasure to announce to the organization the following promotion, contingent on the approval of the Police and Fire Commission:

Police Officer Daniel Frei to Sergeant

Police Officer Daniel Frei started his career with the MPD in June of 1996. He is currently assigned to patrol services (5th detail) in the North District. He is a current member of SWAT, Honor Guard, an adjunct instructor and a field training officer. During his tenure with the MPD, Officer Frei has also been a member of SET. Officer Frei is the current president of the MPPOA.

Officer Frei obtained his Masters in Psychology from Florida International University and a Bachelors in Psychology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Please join me in congratulating Officer Frei on this well-deserved accomplishment!



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Date: December 22, 2023

To: All Personnel

From: Shon F. Barnes, Chief of Police

Re: **Promotion Announcement**

It is my pleasure to announce to the organization the following promotion, contingent on the approval of the Police and Fire Commission:

Police Officer Jason Baumgart to Sergeant

Police Officer Jason Baumgart started his career with the MPD in May of 2005. He is currently assigned to patrol services (5th detail) in the West District. Officer Baumgart is also a field training officer and an adjunct instructor. Baumgart was a K9 Officer for 7 years. Prior to joining the MPD, Officer Baumgart was an officer with the Town of Madison Police Department for 2 years.

Officer Baumgart obtained his Bachelor of Arts degree in Occupational Safety and Environmental Health from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater. He also obtained his certificate in law enforcement/criminal justice from Fox Valley Technical College.

Please join me in congratulating Officer Baumgart on this well-deserved accomplishment!



Madison Police Department
CORRESPONDENCE / MEMORANDUM

Date: December 22, 2023

To: All Personnel

From: Shon F. Barnes, Chief of Police

Re: **Acting Promotion Announcement**

It is my pleasure to announce to the organization the following acting promotion:

Police Officer Jessica Sosoka to Acting Sergeant

Police Officer Jessica Sosoka started her career with the MPD in May of 2012. She is currently assigned to patrol services in the Central District (4th detail). During her tenure with the MPD, Officer Sosoka has been a neighborhood police officer, a criminal intelligence officer, a pre-hire background investigator and a domestic violence liaison officer. Officer Sosoka is also a mental health liaison officer and an investigative support officer.

Officer Sosoka obtained a Bachelor's degree in Psychology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

This is an acting position only at this time to assist with coverage while another sergeant is out on long-term military leave.

Please join me in congratulating Officer Sosoka on this well-deserved accomplishment!





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INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

Date: January 2, 2024

To: Police and Fire Commission
From: Shon F. Barnes, Chief of Police
Subject: **Final Promotional Approval**

Captain Shannon Blackamore has successfully performed his duties as a Captain during his interim promotional period. I recommend him for final appointment to the rank of Captain of Police as of February 5, 2024.



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Date: January 2, 2024

To: Police and Fire Commission
From: Shon F. Barnes, Chief of Police
Subject: **Final Promotional Approval**

Sergeant Brian Covington has successfully performed his duties as a Sergeant during his interim promotional period. I recommend him for final appointment to the rank of Sergeant of Police as of January 22, 2024.



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INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

Date: January 2, 2024

To: Police and Fire Commission
From: Shon F. Barnes, Chief of Police
Subject: **Final Promotional Approval**

Detective Hannah Johnson has successfully performed her duties as a Detective during her interim promotional period. I recommend her for final appointment to the rank of Detective of Police as of February 5, 2024.



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INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

Date: January 2, 2024

To: Police and Fire Commission
From: Shon F. Barnes, Chief of Police
Subject: **Final Promotional Approval**

Assistant Chief Matthew Tye has successfully performed his duties as an Assistant Chief during his interim promotional period. I recommend him for final appointment to the rank of Assistant Chief of Police as of February 5, 2024.



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INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

Date: January 2, 2024

To: Police and Fire Commission
From: Shon F. Barnes, Chief of Police
Subject: **Final Promotional Approval**

Lieutenant Eric Vosburg has successfully performed his duties as a Lieutenant during his interim promotional period. I recommend him for final appointment to the rank of Lieutenant of Police as of February 5, 2024.