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HPD's Douglas Promoted to Corporal

Harrisonburg, Va.—The Harrisonburg Police Department (HPD) has promoted Officer Wesley Douglas to the position of Police Corporal. His promotion comes after a competitive process to include a written test on police practices, supervision, and leadership applications.

“First line leadership is invaluable to any organization as they are the leaders; they truly mold the men and women of the organization. I am proud to have Corporal Douglas assume a leadership role in our organization and provide guidance to those in our Operations Division,” said HPD Chief Eric English.

Douglas was hired on with HPD in 2015 and served in the Operations Division as a patrol officer. He is a certified bicycle patrol officer and an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) pilot. Douglas received the “Officer of the Year” award by the Sons of the American Revolution in 2017. As an avid bicyclist, Douglas rides an average of 200 miles per week, and won the bronze medal in the open elite class Mountain Bike event during the 2017 World Police and Fire Games held in Los Angeles, CA.

“I am truly humbled to be promoted to Police Corporal. This honor is a testament to the hard work of my family, my fellow officers, and everyone else who has helped me get to where I am today. I am grateful for the opportunity to continue to serve the people of Harrisonburg,” said Douglas.

Douglas is a 2003 graduate from Auburn University and holds a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration. He also served 13 years in the U.S. Army.

Douglas will be assigned to HPD's Patrol Division.

Additional information about the Harrisonburg Police Department is always available at www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/police., HPD's Facebook page, or on Twitter.