

# NEWS RELEASE

## DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION

### Commissioner Claire DeMatteis

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## Marvin Mailey named Chief of Community Corrections

**Dover, DE** – Commissioner Claire DeMatteis today announced the appointment of former Dover Police Chief Marvin Mailey as Chief of the Bureau of Community Corrections. The Bureau oversees probation and parole, pretrial services, the community work release program, electronic monitoring and other supervision programs for more than 14,000 individuals statewide who are housed in Work Release and Violation of Probation facilities or are serving probationary sentences in the community. Mailey will replace current Bureau of Community Corrections Chief Jim Elder who will become Chief of an expanded Bureau of Healthcare, Substance Use Disorder and Mental Health Services on November 1.

“Chief Mailey’s distinguished career reflects a strong commitment to public safety through community engagement and partnership, and he knows the balance between law enforcement and reentry services needed to lead our Bureau of Community Corrections into the future,” **Commissioner DeMatteis said.** “As Dover Police Chief he was recognized for efforts to reduce violent crime by building relationships between law enforcement, residents and community partners. At the DOC he and his team will leverage that same collaborative approach to support successful reentry and reduce our state’s recidivism rate.”

The Bureau of Community Corrections works to reduce crime and support public safety by assessing offender risks and needs and providing responsive supervision through comprehensive evidence-based reentry-focused programs that feature substance abuse treatment, mental health services, career counseling, education and training. Bureau staff collaborate on a daily basis with medical and behavioral healthcare professionals, community organizations, service providers, state agencies, employers and the Judiciary to connect men and women under their supervision to systems of support that improve their chances of leading productive lives in our communities. They also play an active role in collaborative crime reduction initiatives, including the Group Violence Intervention project in the City of Wilmington.

“I am honored to rejoin the Department of Correction and look forward to leading an exceptional team of Probation and Parole Officers and Community Corrections professionals who work hard every day to guide justice-involved men and women on their path out of the criminal justice system and into successful, healthy and productive lives in the community,” **Chief Mailey said.**

Chief Mailey returns to the Department of Correction with more than thirty years of community-focused law enforcement experience. After serving for four years as a Law Enforcement Specialist in the United States Air Force Chief Mailey served from 1989 to 1993 as a Correctional Officer with the Delaware Department of Correction. In 1993, he joined the Dover Police Department, with assignments in the Patrol Unit, Drugs, Vice and Organized Crime Unit and Community Policing program. He served in leadership positions as a supervisor of the Special Operations Response Team, Patrol Platoon, the Special Enforcement Unit and Unit Commander of the Internal Affairs Unit. He was appointed Deputy Chief in 2014 and in May, 2017 was appointed Chief in a unanimous vote of Dover City Council. Chief Mailey retired as Police Chief in May, 2019. Most recently, Chief Mailey has served as Public Safety Manager for Bayhealth.

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