



MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

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COMMISSIONER SEAN TINDELL ANNOUNCES STAFFING CHANGES

JACKSON, Miss. – Today, Commissioner Sean Tindell, of the Mississippi Department of Public Safety (MSDPS) announced changes and additions to his senior leadership staff. These changes will take effect July 1st, 2024.

“Our Department of Public Safety remains committed to protecting and serving the people of Mississippi with the highest degree of professionalism,” said **Governor Tate Reeves**. “I’m thankful for the service of these individuals and all of our law enforcement community members. I’m confident that they will continue to help effectively lead this important organization.”

Deputy Commissioner Keith Davis has been named Colonel of the Mississippi Department of Public Safety Law Enforcement Division (LED). This division will include the Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics, Mississippi Office of Homeland Security, Capitol Police, Crime Stoppers, and Public Safety Planning. LED will work in unison with all local, state, and federal agencies, as well as Colonel Charles Haynes who oversees the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol, Mississippi Bureau of Investigation, Commercial Transportation Enforcement Division, and the Mississippi Law Enforcement Officers Training Academy.

Allen McDaniel has been appointed Chief of Staff for the Mississippi Department of Public Safety. In this role, he will develop and coordinate statewide initiatives in line with Commissioner Tindell’s vision to ensure a unified effort. Prior to joining MSDPS, McDaniel served as the Executive Director of the National Guard Association of Mississippi since 2017. He is a 34-year veteran with both enlisted and commissioned service, including State Judge Advocate for Mississippi, active-duty deployment to Iraq, disaster relief activation in Mississippi, and command of an engineering company. McDaniel has extensive experience in private law practice representing law enforcement agencies in state and federal courts as well as preparing policies and procedures. McDaniel and his wife of 21 years, Tara, reside in Rankin County with their two children, Ford and Cloe.

Major Phillip Pope will be promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and Chief of the Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics (MBN), Pope has been serving as Interim in this role since February 2024. Previously

serving as Enforcement Major for the central region, he and his team are responsible for the dismantling of several drug trafficking organizations responsible for importing large amounts of drugs into our communities. Lt. Colonel Pope has worked within the ranks of MBN for nearly two decades. Before his time with MBN, he worked for the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks as a conservation officer and Lieutenant over the training division.

Josh Bromen has been named the Executive Director of the Board of Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Training. The board aims to keep law enforcement officers well-educated on developments and equipped to meet society's growing needs to ensure public safety across the state. Bromen is dedicated to enhancing training protocols and professional standards within the state while guaranteeing the office operates with the highest levels of integrity, effectiveness, and community engagement. Previously, Bromen served as the Deputy Chief of Police at the University of Mississippi Medical Center Police Department from October 2021 to March 2024. Prior to that, he was the Director of the Mississippi Analysis and Information Center and a Commander in the Gulfport Police Department.

"I am confident in these leaders, who bring many years of experience and a strong commitment to managing resources, utilizing cutting-edge technology to reduce crime, and making Mississippi safer every day," said ***Commissioner Sean Tindell***. "I am excited to see the work they will accomplish in their respective divisions and for the Department of Public Safety."

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