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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATIVE & FORENSIC SERVICES

IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE
FOLLOWING PROMOTION

CONGRATULATIONS TO Bureau of Workers' Comp. Chief Chris Welch

Chief Chris Welch started his law enforcement career with the Bureau of Fire, Arson, and Explosives Investigations (BFAEI) in 1998 as a detective with the Tallahassee Field Office. After a short time, Chris transferred to the Northwest Region where he worked for the better part of a decade. In 2010, Chris promoted to Lieutenant, serving as the Accreditation Manager, where he was ultimately tasked with combining policies for the newly formed Division of Investigative and Forensic Services.

In 2017, Chris was promoted to Captain for the Bureau of Fire, Arson and Explosives Investigations and assigned to the Northwest Region.

During his career, Chris has served as a primary evidence custodian, field training officer, defensive tactics instructor, firearms instructor, field office training coordinator, assessor with the Florida Commission for Law Enforcement Accreditation and the 2nd Vice President of the Florida Police Accreditation Coalition.

Chris holds a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from Troy University and has extensive knowledge in the areas of policy development and state law enforcement accreditation standards.



**We are pleased to recognize
Chief Welch's hard work and
look forward to his continued
growth into greater
responsibilities.**