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Court Officer Recruits to Take Oath of Office at Brooklyn Graduation

BROOKLYN, NEW YORK—First Deputy Chief Administrative Judge Norman St. George will administer the oath of office to 216 New York State Court Officer recruits representing a breadth of skills and experiences. Comprising the graduating class are former teachers, correction officers, EMTs, forest rangers, social workers, transit employees, a wildland firefighter, media specialist, and New York City Deputy Sheriff, among other professions. Collectively, the new class reflects New York's rich cultural mosaic, with its roots spanning the globe, from Bangladesh to Spain. The newly minted officers' combined interests and hobbies also run the gamut, from acting, surfing, snowboarding, and mixed martial arts to robotics and animal rescue.

Adding to the ranks of the Unified Court System's 4,000-plus Court Officers and 2,000 non-uniformed peace officers, the recruits will be assigned to courts in New York City's five boroughs; the 9th Judicial District's Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, and Westchester counties; and the 10th Judicial District's Nassau and Suffolk counties.

Chief of Training Joseph Baccellieri, Jr. will kick off the program, with Chief Administrative Judge Joseph A. Zayas and Deputy Chief Administrative Judge for New York City Courts Adam Silvera addressing the class. The ceremony will also include remarks from the class representative and feature an awards presentation in several categories, including academic achievement, leadership, and physical fitness. Award presenters will include New York City Criminal Court Administrative Judge Tamiko Amaker, OCA Executive Director Justin Barry, Chief of Public Safety Michael Magliano, and Chief Howard Metzdorff.

WHEN: Wednesday, October 22, 2025 at 11:00am

WHERE: Christian Cultural Center, 12020 Flatlands Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207