

Don Ford, a 31-year veteran of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department was promoted to the rank of Captain by Sheriff Lee Baca and assumed command of Palmdale Station.

Captain Ford's career with the sheriff's Department began in 1981, when he entered the Sheriff's Training Academy. Upon graduation as a Deputy Sheriff, he was assigned to Men's Central Jail. He completed his patrol training at Lakewood Sheriff Station and continued to work Lakewood Station as a field training officer for another 10 years. In 1992 Captain Ford was promoted to the rank of Sergeant. His Assignments included Pitchess Detention Center North Facility and Lancaster Sheriff Station. Upon his promotion to the rank of Lieutenant in 2000, Captain Ford was assigned to Pitchess Detention Center East Facility and Palmdale Station.

Captain Ford received an Associate of Arts in Administration of Justice and chosen honor student for Cerritos College's Administration of Justice major. Captain Ford continued his education by completing a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Management from Union Institute and University.