



### **JOSEPH H. STEPHEN JR. PROMOTED TO CAPTAIN**

Joseph H. Stephen Jr., a 33-year veteran of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, was promoted to the rank of Captain by Sheriff Jim McDonnell on April 2, 2017.

Captain Stephen's career with the Sheriff's Department began in May 1984 as an off-the-streeter. Upon graduating from the Sheriff's Training Academy, he was assigned to Biscailuz Center and Marina Del Rey Station. In 2000, Captain Stephen was promoted to the rank of Sergeant and was assigned to Compton Station. Upon his promotion to the rank of Lieutenant in 2005, Captain Stephen held assignments at Malibu/Lost Hills Station, Recruit Training Unit, Community Colleges Bureau and the Office of the Undersheriff. He was the Unit Commander of Lost Hills Station from 2010 to 2014, and transferred to Marina Del Rey Station in June of 2014, where he is now based.

Captain Stephen earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Administration of Justice from Texas Christian University. He earned a basketball scholarship to TCU and participated in the National Invitational Tournament (NIT) in 1982. He earned a Master of Arts Degree in Emergency Management from California State University, Long Beach. In 2004, he graduated from the Sherman Block Supervisory Leadership Institute.

Captain Stephen resides in the city of Northridge with his wife of 24 years, Sheila. In his free time, he enjoys playing and coaching basketball, reading; exercising; and spending time with family and friends.