



## FREDERICK COUNTY GOVERNMENT

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### County Executive Gardner Recognizes Fire & Rescue Capt. Mullendore for Certification as Executive Fire Officer

FREDERICK, MD -- County Executive Jan Gardner today recognized Capt. Christopher Mullendore of the Division of Fire & Rescue Services. He recently completed a four-year rigorous program to receive certification as an Executive Fire Officer through the Federal Emergency Management Agency's National Fire Academy. Executive Gardner and DFRS Chief Tom Owens presented him with his official certificate during a ceremony at Winchester Hall.

"I am pleased to honor Captain Mullendore for his successful completion of one of the most rigorous and academically challenging courses in the fire and rescue service," said Executive Gardner. "He has joined a diverse group of fire officers from across the country and his efforts to make our community safe will ensure a bright future for all of Frederick County."

The program trains senior officers in executive-level leadership skills, helps them apply valuable research, creates a deeper understanding of how to operate a proactive fire and rescue service, and gives them tools to transform their organizations.

Capt. Mullendore graduated from Recruit Class 7 in 2004. During his tenure, he has been assigned to Westview Station 31, Citizens Truck Company Station 4, Myersville Station 8, the Frederick County Training Academy and Middletown Station 7. Capt. Mullendore currently serves as Station Commander at Spring Ridge Station 33. He is also Team Coordinator for Frederick County's Hazardous Materials Response Team.

In the history of the Division of Fire & Rescue Services, several other Frederick County firefighters have earned the Executive Fire Officer designation. They include Deputy Chief Steve Leatherman, Battalion Chief Michael Dmuchowski, and Lieutenant Eric Jacobs, and retirees Deputy Chief Rick Himes, Deputy Chief Andy Marsh, Chief Walter Murray and Captain George Thomas.

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