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### Montco Sheriff honors outgoing chief, swears in new chief

**Norristown, Pa. (July 6, 2017)** – Montgomery County Sheriff Sean P. Kilkenny held a ceremony at the courthouse to honor outgoing Chief Deputy T. Michael Beatty, who is leaving to become Tredyffrin Township Police Department’s superintendent. Lt. Adam T. Berry was sworn in as the new Chief Deputy. Beatty and Berry officially start in their new roles on July 10, 2017.



*PHOTO: Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office Chief Deputy Adam T. Berry, Sheriff Sean P. Kilkenny, outgoing Chief Deputy T. Michael Beatty*

“Chief Beatty has made a permanent impact on our office due to his incredible leadership and experience and he will be missed,” said Kilkenny.

Beatty joined the MCSO after retiring from the Whitmarsh Township Police Department as Chief of Police in 2016, where he served for 30 years.

Beatty was honored for his significant contributions to the MCSO during his 18-month tenure.

Under his leadership, the MCSO planned and managed complex multi-agency security logistics, juror protection and transportation for high-profile hearings and trials for

former Attorney General Kathleen Kane and comedian Bill Cosby, while efficiently running daily operations for a staff of 135 combined law enforcement and administrative staff.

“Since coming to the Sheriff’s Office in January 2016, it is my belief that we have made huge strides in the professionalism and readiness of the men and women that serve this County so diligently,” Beatty said. “The supervisors, deputies, and office personnel and that work for the Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office are second to none.”

Beatty also facilitated the acquisition of new technology and the introduction of new safety standards which allow civil and warrants deputies to operate remotely and more efficiently and safely while on the

road. Beaty was instrumental in introducing a new policy management system, which integrates electronic legal review, changing legislation and best practices.

“Chief Berry has an impeccable track record and is highly regarded among his peers,” said Kilkenny. “I am confident that he will do a great job while keeping continuity in our organization, since there has been some leadership turnover within the past few years.”

Berry joined the MCSO in 2000 as a deputy in the Courts Division. He transferred to the Civil Division in 2001, where he served protection from abuse orders and civil actions until being promoted to deputy in charge in 2010. In addition to supervising the daily operations and personnel of the civil division, Berry supervised the warrants division for one year after being promoted to sergeant in 2013. He transferred to the Transportation and Detention Division in October 2016 and was promoted to lieutenant in February 2017.

Berry is also a certified Taser® instructor, background investigator, and breath test instrument operator and user of Non-lethal Immobilization Devices. He has received special training on the National Incident Management System, and in the areas of Terrorism Awareness – Domestic Preparedness and Hazardous Materials First Responder Awareness.

He earned a bachelor of science in political science from Villanova University, and is a graduate of the Montgomery County Police Academy. Berry lives in Montgomery County with his wife Rebekah and son Samuel.

“I am honored and excited to have the opportunity to lead such dedicated men and women,” Berry said. “I know we will all continue to work as a team to serve the citizens of Montgomery County.”

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