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SUMMARY

Experienced state trooper with a demonstrated history of varied law enforcement experience, who is also skilled in public speaking, media and public relations, and social media practices. I develop and maintain relationships with the television and radio media, state, federal and local law enforcement agencies, and the public, in an effort to help keep those informed on issues that may affect them.

EDUCATION

Sacred Heart University Fairfield, CT	
Master's Degree, Strategic Communication and Public Relations	2019
University of Connecticut Storrs, CT	
Bachelor of Arts, Sociology	1994

CERTIFICATES

Connecticut State Police Academy Meriden, CT	
Certificate, State Trooper	2002
Connecticut Police Officers Standards and Training Council Meriden, CT	
Certificate, Law Enforcement Officer	1996

WORK EXPERIENCE

Connecticut State Police, State Trooper Middletown, CT	2001-present
Public Information Office	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public information officer, spokesperson for the Connecticut State Police.• Provide information to the public and media regarding incidents, accidents, arrests, highway closures, and more.• Provide information to state police employees regarding upcoming events and opportunities through the internal employee website.• Provide assistance to local police agencies by offering guidance, writing and reviewing press releases for major incidents.• Build and maintain positive relationships with the public, community, and media through social media and community engagement events.	

- Build and maintain positive relationships with local and federal law enforcement agencies through open communication.
- Prepare and provide press releases to the media and public regarding incidents, accidents, and community engagement efforts.
- Post press releases, photographs and other information to the various state police social media platforms and website.
- Prepare speeches and PowerPoint presentations for press conferences, speaking engagements, trade conferences and lectures.
- Give presentations and speeches at conferences, speaking engagements, health fairs, business-es, career fairs and schools.
- Teach “public information and media relations” classes to law enforcement, first responders, other state agencies, non-profit organizations and many others.
- Provide quotes to the written media on a variety of topics including active investigations.
- Provide “on air” interviews to the television and radio media regarding active investigations, major accidents, highway closures, safety initiatives and more.
- Coordinate with media representatives for press conferences, informational presentations and public service announcements.
- Respond to major incident and accident scenes, and provide information to the media regarding the safety of the public.
- Conduct state police award ceremonies and promotional ceremonies.
- Complete various administrative duties as assigned.
- Supervise a small office of sworn and civilian staff.
- Maintain Connecticut State Police social media platforms – Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Recruitment and Selection Unit

- Recruit qualified candidates in an effort to bolster the ranks of the Connecticut State Police.
- Represent the state police at career fairs, while seeking out qualified candidates for hire.
- Represent the state police in a wide variety of community engagement initiatives.
- Participate in all phases of the candidate testing process.
- Assist qualified candidates from the time they are recruited, until they enter the state police training academy.
- Broaden the extent in which information about the Connecticut State Police is disseminated by working with the media, and creating content for social media platforms.
- Maintain the Connecticut State Police Recruitment website and social media platforms – Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.
- Work to meet the demands of both the state police recruiting effort, and candidate needs.
- Show the Connecticut State Police and candidates our commitment to those transitioning to life as a recruit.

Western District Major Crime, Detective

- Respond to, and investigate major crime incidents.
- Assume primary investigative responsibility of homicides, bank robberies, serious injury assaults, kidnappings and suspicious deaths.
- Assist state police troopers with complex crime scene management, evidence processing and extensive follow-up investigations.
- Assist other state agencies, municipal police departments and Federal agencies with complex crime scene management, evidence processing and extensive follow-up investigations.
- Investigate complaints to include sexual assault, child abuse, domestic violence, robbery, larceny, homicide and suicide.
- Conduct extremely thorough and well-documented investigations.
- Conduct detailed interviews of victims, witnesses, and suspects.
- Write, obtain, and serve search and seizure warrants, and arrest warrants.
- Prepare detailed investigative reports for the Connecticut court system, other law enforcement agencies, insurance-related claims, and victims.
- Work closely with the State's Attorney Office.
- Testify in court trials.

Selections Management Committee Meriden, CT

- Review and rate completed candidate background investigations, polygraph investigations and additional files, for potential hire.
- Once hired, review recruit and trooper trainees for potential dismissal from the CT State Police, and make alternative recommendations for same.

State Police Training Academy Meriden, CT

- Instructor for the 122nd which graduated 26 recruits, and the 123rd Training Troop which graduated 83 recruits.
- Train recruits on how to "Serve and Protect" the state of Connecticut.
- Train recruits in the skills necessary to become a law enforcement officer and Connecticut State Trooper.
- Train recruits to utilize their physical and mental resources.
- Build self-confidence, instill self-reliance, develop leadership ability, poise and self-control, and improve reaction time of the individual recruits.
- Lead Instructor in public speaking and media relations.
- Lead Instructor in penal code (Connecticut general statutes).
- Lead Instructor during experiential training for the 122nd Training Troop.

Governor's Security Unit Hartford, CT

- Provide protection, security, and assistance to the sitting Governor and Lieutenant Governor of Connecticut.
- Provide transportation for the Governor's daily business.
- Work independently and make decisions regarding the Governor's safety.

- Conduct preliminary investigations of the different locations and events that the Governor will be attending, and travel with the Governor in and out of the state and country.
- Provide security at the Governor's mansion and Governor's office at the state capitol.
- Complete administrative duties as assigned.

Resident State Trooper Southbury, CT

- Perform duties as shift supervisor.
- Supervise three to five Town of Southbury police officers per shift.
- Assist and direct officers with investigations, and provide them with guidance, supervision and decision-making.
- Prepare officer evaluations and provide constructive criticism.
- Conduct community speaking engagements regarding various aspects of safety.
- Complete additional administrative duties as assigned.

Patrol Trooper Troop A - Southbury, CT

- Investigate motor vehicle accidents, incidents, and various criminal complaints to include larceny, burglary and domestic violence.
- Conduct thorough, detailed and well-documented investigations of crimes committed against victims.
- Prepare investigative and accident reports for the victim, the Connecticut court system and insurance companies.
- Prepare investigative reports for follow-up by the various specialized units of the Connecticut State Police to include Major Crime, Computer and Cyber Crime, Narcotics and other investigative units.
- Prepare and present detailed arrest warrants to the court, for identified suspects following a criminal investigation.
- Prepare detailed search and seizure warrants for presentment at court, in order to obtain additional information while conducting a criminal investigation.
- Respond to emergency and routine calls for service including motor vehicle accidents, larcenies, domestic violence complaints, assisting broken down vehicles and more.
- Conduct motor vehicle enforcement on motorists in violation of Connecticut State Motor Vehicle Laws.
- Conduct patrols of the highway to ensure traffic and motorist safety.
- Conduct patrols of towns within state police jurisdiction, to ensure personal and property safety.
- Conduct patrols of state buildings within different cities and towns to ensure security of state-owned buildings and their employees.
- Act as a Field Training Officer for new trooper trainees, to help them with the on-the-job learning portion of their training.

Detective Youth Bureau

- Primary investigator of sexual assaults, child abuse and domestic violence cases, one of which led to a confession and a conviction which levied a 40-year prison sentence.
- Conduct detailed interviews of victims, witnesses, and suspects.
- Conduct extremely thorough and well-documented investigations.
- Write, obtain, and serve search and seizure warrants for evidence, and arrest warrants for suspects.
- Prepare detailed investigative reports for the Connecticut court system.
- Assist officers and other detectives conduct detailed investigations of various crimes.
- Work closely with the State's Attorney Office.
- Testify in Court trials.
- Member of the Child Abuse Investigative Team (CAIT) – a multi-jurisdictional team approach at investigating child sexual abuse cases.
- Respond to all incidents in the elementary and middle schools.
- Act as a mentor for middle school students.
- Teach Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) in elementary schools.

Police Officer

- Investigate motor vehicle accidents, and various criminal complaints to include larceny, burglary and domestic violence.
- Conduct town patrols to ensure traffic and public safety.
- Conduct motor vehicle stops for various motor vehicle violations.
- Respond to emergency and routine calls for service including motor vehicle accidents, larcenies, and domestic violence complaints.
- Prepare investigative reports for victims, the Connecticut court system, and insurance companies.
- Prepare investigative reports for follow-up by the detective bureau and youth bureau.
- Prepare arrest and search warrants as necessary.
- Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) instructor.
- Field Training Officer for police officer trainees.
- D.A.R.E. instructor in the elementary schools
- Research and assist in developing policies and procedures to gain Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) accreditation.