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Carolina Beach Detective Receives National Awards in Digital Forensic Investigations

Carolina Beach, NC December 13, 2023: Carolina Beach Police Department Detective James "Nick" Tice was recognized nationally for his work in Digital Forensic Investigations. Detective Tice was first awarded the United States Secret Service National Computer Forensic Institute Top Examiners Award. Out of 3,800 participating examiners in the U.S., Tice was ranked #11. This award recognizes 50 law enforcement officers each year for digital examination techniques that can be used in investigations into violent crimes, financial fraud, and network intrusion among others. The awarded examiners' productivity was measured in cases involving media (such as USB drives, CDs), Etech (cellphones, recorders) and hard drives (desktop and laptop computers, network storage systems).

Additionally, Detective Tice was also awarded the "Fiat Justitia" award by Operation Underground Railroad (O.U.R.). This award serves to honor and recognize law enforcement personnel who relentlessly work to protect children from sexual exploitation. Those who receive the award display the admirable bravery and commitment required to stop predators from harming children.

Message from the Chief of Police: The Carolina Beach Police Department is committed to providing the best quality service to our residents, visitors, and surrounding law enforcement partners. As emerging technology continues to be a necessary part of our everyday lives, we must ensure we are equipped to handle investigative matters appropriately and effectively. Detective Tice is a true example of our law enforcement mission and the capabilities needed to protect the public and support our law enforcement partners. We truly thank the United States Secret Service and other partnering agencies supporting our mission.