

Court Officer Graduation



Photo: Hon. Deborah H. Kaplan administers the Oath of Office.

Tuesday, July 26, 2022
East New York, Brooklyn

On Tuesday, July 26, 2022, the oath of office was administered to 89 Court Officer recruits at a ceremony that took place at the Christian Cultural Center, located in the Flatlands section of Brooklyn. The new Court Officers were joined by family, friends, and court system colleagues. They now join the ranks of the New York State Courts' 4,000-plus Court Officers and 2,000 non-uniformed peace officers, the second largest law enforcement agency in the State.



Photo: Official Court Officer Academy Graduation photo.

The oath of office was administered by Deputy Chief Administrative Judge for New York City Courts, Hon. Deborah A. Kaplan. Sixty officers will be assigned to New York City's five boroughs; 10 to the Ninth Judicial District (Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland and Westchester counties); 16 to Long Island's Nassau and Suffolk counties; and the remaining graduates, to courts in upstate New York.



Photo: A Court Officer recruit handcuffs "suspects," played by Academy instructors during car-stop training at Parking Area Three, Jones Beach.

Each officer completed four months of basic training including classroom instruction on criminal law, civil law, family law, constitutional law, and arrest procedures, along with training in such areas as intermediary weapons, including baton, pepper spray and firearms; proper use of force; first aid, CPR, and basic life support; crowd control; tactical communications; domestic violence awareness and mandatory reporting obligations.