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LCSO Chief Graduates from FBI National Academy

Leon County Sheriff Walt McNeil is proud to announce Chief Grady Jordan has graduated as a member of the 285th session of the FBI National Academy. The graduation took place at the National Academy in Quantico, Virginia on March 16th, 2023. Chief Jordan is the 16th deputy in department history to complete this prestigious program. Nationally, fewer than one percent of officers have the opportunity to attend the program.

Internationally known for its academic excellence, the National Academy offers ten weeks of advanced communication, leadership, and fitness training. Participants must have proven records as professionals within their agencies to attend. On average, these officers have 21 years of law enforcement experience and usually return to their agencies to serve in executive-level positions.



The 285th session consisted of two hundred and forty-seven law enforcement officers from 47 states and the District of Columbia. The class included members of law enforcement agencies from 28 countries, four military organizations, and five federal civilian organizations.

Chief Jordan is a Tallahassee native and a graduate of Florida State University. He began his career in 1993 as a Corrections Officer at the Leon County Detention Facility. Chief Jordan has worked in Uniform Patrol, the VICE/Narcotics Unit, the Violent Crime Unit, the Homeland Security/Intelligence Unit, Public Information Officer, Media and Public Relations, and is currently Chief of Internal Business Services and Training Division for LCSO.

About the FBI National Academy

FBI Academy instructors, special agents, and other staff with advanced degrees provide the training; many instructors are recognized internationally in their fields. Since 1972, National Academy students have been able to earn undergraduate and graduate credits from the University of Virginia, which accredits many of the courses offered. A total of 54,154 graduates have completed the FBI National Academy since it began in 1935. The National Academy is held at the FBI Training Academy in Quantico, the same facility where the FBI trains its new special agents and intelligence analysts.



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