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Corporal Mark Howard Honored as U.S. Attorney's Office Awards Recipient

On April 22, 2010 eleven employees of the United States Attorney's Office, a St. Mary's County Sheriff's Deputy and the father of murdered carjacking victim Warren T. Fleming were honored with the Office's most prestigious awards. At a ceremony held to announce the awards, at the U.S. Courthouse in Baltimore, the United States Attorney also welcomed eight new Assistant U.S. Attorneys and seven other new employees.

Former United States Attorney Herbert Better served as the keynote speaker for the event. Mr. Better served in the U.S. Attorney's Office for 14 years. He joined the office as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in 1972. He served for five years as First Assistant U.S. Attorney and was appointed by the U.S. District Court to serve as the United States Attorney for several months in 1981. Mr. Better discussed the history and principles of the Maryland U.S. Attorney's Office.

"The award recipients demonstrated exceptional skill, dedication and commitment to pursuing justice while upholding the highest ethical and professional standards," commented United States Attorney Rod J. Rosenstein.

St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Corporal Mark Howard, who is assigned to assist the Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) Task Force, was honored with the Pete Twardowicz Award which was established in honor of Eugene P. (Pete) Twardowicz, who rendered many years of outstanding service to the U.S. Attorney's Office as an IRS criminal investigator and a Special Investigator for this Office. This award recognizes law enforcement agents or officers for outstanding cooperation and achievement while working with the U.S. Attorney's Office on a significant case.

Corporal Mark Howard is a twenty-four year veteran of law enforcement and has worked for the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office for the past twelve years. He is a member of the Sheriff's Office Emergency Services Team and is currently assigned to the DEA Task Force.

"I have had the honor of working with Mark for the last twelve years. He is an outstanding investigator and truly a remarkable person. His dedication to his assignments, co workers and the citizens of St. Mary's County is second to none". (Captain Daniel Alioto)

Congratulations Corporal Howard on a job well done.