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Historical Moment for Maryland's First Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Timothy Cameron and the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office welcome Frederick L. Miller Jr. as he begins his career with the Sheriff's Office, Detention Center, as a Correctional Officer. Mr. Miller commences his employment on July 9, 2009. This is an extremely special day for both Mr. Miller and the Sheriff's Office, as not only is he beginning an exciting and rewarding career, but his first day on the job will be his 18th birthday.

According to Ms. Christine Melville, Administrator for the Certification Unit of the Maryland Police and Correctional Training Commission (MPCTC), to the best of her knowledge since the minimum age requirement for a Correctional Officer was established as 18 years of age in January of 2002, agencies across the State of Maryland have hired 18-year-old Correctional Officers; however, Ms. Melville does not recall any officer hired on his/her exact birth date.

Although the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office has hired 18-year-old Correctional Officers in the past, no officer has ever been hired on his/her actual 18th birth date, thus making Mr. Miller the youngest Correctional Officer ever hired in the State of Maryland. Mr. Miller's employment with the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office is a historical moment and another "First" for America's, and Maryland's, First Sheriff's Office.

Mr. Miller resides in Mechanicsville, Maryland and graduated from Chopticon High School in May of 2009.



Correctional Officer Frederick Miller Jr. and Major John Horne