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Chief Quovella Spruill (Ret.) Essex County Prosecutor's Office Newark, NJ

Chief Quovella Spruill (Ret.) began her law enforcement career in 1998 as an officer with the Essex County Prosecutor's Office in Newark, New Jersey. She spent the first 10 years working in the Homicide, Special Victims, Juvenile, and Internal Affairs Units. In 2008, she became a lieutenant in the Professional Standards Bureau and was responsible for supervising investigations of law enforcement misconduct. In 2010, she became Captain of the Support Bureau and oversaw the Cyber Crimes, Money Laundering Investigations, Homeland Security, and Intelligence Units. In 2012, she became Captain of Professional Standards and Corruption Bureau where she was in charge of investigations of officer-involved fatalities and bias crimes. In 2015, she was elevated to Chief of Detectives and managed over 150 detectives while overseeing criminal investigations of financial crimes, homicides, sexual assaults, narcotics, cyber-crimes, and police-involved shootings.

In 2019, Chief Spruill retired from policing. She is an adjunct professor at Rutgers University where she teaches criminal justice courses including contemporary policing, ethical & philosophical issues, race & crime, organized crime, and violent Crimes. She holds a B.S. in engineering from the New Jersey Institute of Technology and a M.A. in education, human resources, training, and development from Seton Hall University. She is a certified instructor in Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Training and holds certifications with the New Jersey Police Training Commission and National Internal Affairs Institute.

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