

## Capt. Anthony April Alaska State Police Anchorage, AK

Captain Anthony April began his career in the armed forces, serving in the Virginia Army National Guard, California Army National Guard, Alaska Army National Guard, and the Alaska Air National Guard. In 2006, he joined law enforcement as a lieutenant with the Alaska State Troopers in Anchorage. In 2012, he was elevated to captain and became the commander of the A Detachment in Ketchikan, where he was responsible for planning, supervising, and reviewing the activities of all division personnel. In 2014, he transferred back to the Anchorage office and became the Assistant Director of Staff. His duties included

ensuring the safe and timely transport of prisoners, managing the Anchorage Judicial Services, and overseeing and approving all out-of-state prisoner transport travels. In 2015, he became Commander of the Alaska Bureau of Investigation where he led 50 personnel, including two lieutenants and ten different regional units, in conducting preliminary and supplementary investigations. In 2017, he took up his current role as Commander of B Detachment in Palmer.

Captain April is featured in the book entitled, *The Black and the Blue: A cop reveals the crimes and racism in America's law enforcement and the search for change* by authors Matthew Horace and Ron Harris. He is the National Parliamentarian for the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives.

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