

## Captain Sonia Pruitt (Ret.) Montgomery County Police Department Laurel, MD

Captain Sonia Pruitt (Ret.) began her law enforcement career as an officer with the Montgomery County Police Department in Maryland. She served as the Deputy Director of The Internal Affairs Division and was later promoted to Administrative Lieutenant for the Office of the Chief of Police, where she helped to oversee the department's budget and staff. She has worked as a call taker for the police 911 dispatch center, an investigative sergeant, and as a supervisor of the school resource officer program. In 2019, Pruitt was promoted to captain and

concurrently served as a duty commander supervising calls for service county-wide.

Pruitt retired from policing in 2020. She previously served as President of the Coalition of Black Police Officers in Montgomery County, Maryland, and as the Chairperson of the National Black Police Association. She holds a BS in criminal justice from the University of Maryland and a MA in forensic psychology from Argosy University. She is an adjunct professor of criminal justice administration at Montgomery College and teaches courses including Introduction to Policing, Criminal Investigation, and Police Organization and Administration.

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