



# SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION OF NEW JERSEY

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## **SOMERSET COUNTY SHERIFF FRANK PROVENZANO, SR. SWORN IN AS PRESIDENT OF THE SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION OF NEW JERSEY**

Previously serving the Sheriffs' Association of New Jersey as First Vice President, Somerset County Sheriff Frank Provenzano, Sr., has now taken over the reins from outgoing President Sheriff Edward V. Rochford and will serve as President of the Sheriffs' Association of New Jersey (SANJ). Sheriff Rochford has served for the last two years and has worked tirelessly with the other Sheriffs and Officers of SANJ to promote and protect the interests of the Sheriffs and their Sheriff's Offices. Sworn in by outgoing U.S. Attorney Christopher Christie, Sheriff Provenzano was surrounded by fellow New Jersey Sheriffs and other dignitaries who wished him well and are looking forward to working with him and supporting him in his new position.

Sheriff Provenzano is a lifelong resident of Somerset County. He joined the Bridgewater Township Police Department in 1968 and retired in 2001 as Captain of the Administration Division, where he also served as the Commander of Emergency Service Division, which included SCUBA, Heavy Rescue and Haz-Mat. Sheriff Provenzano was also the Assistant Coordinator for the Somerset County Emergency Response Team, Hostage Negotiations Unit. He is a graduate of the National Sheriff's Institute Executive Development Program, sponsored by the National Sheriff's Association and the National Institute of Corrections.

Sheriff Provenzano has 3 older children. He and his wife Lou Ann have one son, Frank, Jr., who is presently serving his second tour of duty in Iraq. Sheriff Provenzano is an active member of the community and volunteers in a number of different capacities including the National Association of Counties, Justice and Public Safety Steering Committee, the Somerset County Youth Services Commission, the Raritan Valley Community College Criminal Justice Advisory Committee, the Somerset County Police Academy, Law Enforcement Education Committee, the National Sheriffs' Association, the New Jersey Association of Crisis Negotiators, the Family and Community Services of Somerset County (where he serves as a Board Member) and the Somerset County Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Advisory Committee. Sheriff Provenzano also serves as an Advisory Board Member of the Somerset County Vo-Tech High School's Law and Public Safety Program. Sheriff Provenzano is also a member of the Italian-American Police Society, where he was the 2008 recipient of the Law Enforcement Achievement Award, the John Basilone Parade Committee, the Somerville Elks, the former Chairman of the Jack Gardner Softball Tournament, which is a fundraising event for children with special needs. He is a former member of the Raritan Borough of Recreation Commission and a former coach of Raritan Pop Warner Football and Manager of Raritan Minor and Little League Baseball.

Sheriff Provenzano looks forward to continue to build relationships with all law enforcement organizations in order to work together for one common cause-the safety and security of all people in New Jersey. Provenzano praised Sheriff Rochford for his leadership as President over the last two years saying, "Sheriff Rochford's hard work promoting Project Lifesaver resulted in New Jersey being the only state in the nation that has statewide coverage for this Program." Project Lifesaver relies on radio frequency technology to locate victims of Alzheimer's disease or other forms of dementia.

*The Sheriff is the highest and only law enforcement official elected by you, the people of New Jersey*