



Press Release

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Subject : The Redondo Beach Police Department announces the promotion of Officer Jeff Mendence and Officer Paul Ribitzki to Sergeant

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Chief W. Joseph Leonardi of the Redondo Beach Police Department announces the promotion of Officers Jeff Mendence and Officer Paul Ribitzki to the rank of Police Sergeant.

Sergeant Mendence began his law enforcement career with the Redondo Beach Police Department in 1995. He worked as a Community Services and Municipal Services Officer until he was hired by the department as a Police Officer in 1999. Sergeant Mendence has worked in Patrol, as an Investigator with the Traffic Unit and as the department Special Event Coordinator. Sergeant Mendence is a former member of the Crime Scene Investigations team. Sergeant Mendence was born and raised in the South Bay, attended El Camino Community College, and is married.

Sergeant Ribitzki began his law enforcement career with the Los Angeles Police Department in 1995. During his time with the LAPD, he worked a variety of assignments including Patrol, Bike Detail, Field Training Officer and Vice Investigator. In 2001, he was hired by the Redondo Beach Police Department. During his career, with the Redondo Beach Police Department, Sergeant Ribitzki has worked in Patrol and as a detective with the Investigations Division. He is a former member of the Redondo Beach Special Weapons and Tactics Team and is currently a member of the Redondo Beach Firearms Training Unit. Sergeant Ribitzki holds a Bachelor's of Art in Political Science with a Minor in Criminal Justice from California State University at Long Beach. Sergeant Ribitzki served in the United States Marine Corps Reserve for eight years and received an honorable discharge in 1999. Sergeant Ribitzki is married and has one child.

Upon the completion of a training program, both Sergeants will be assigned as Patrol Division supervisors.