



# Winchester

police department *Virginia*



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April 5, 2016

Sheriff Michael L. Chapman  
Loudoun County Sheriff  
803 Sycolin Rd. SE  
Leesburg, VA 20175

Dear Sheriff Chapman:

I want to thank your deputies for the incredible help they to us on April 2, 2106, when they responded to assist us with a bomb threat in the City of Winchester.

On Saturday morning April 2, 2016, a customer at the George Washington Hotel, here in Winchester, dropped a bag at the front desk, claimed it was a bomb and then fled the building. He also claimed that he had planted devices throughout the building. The George Washington is one of our nicest hotels and was booked for the weekend, so we were very anxious to resolve this issue quickly with minimal disruption to the customers and the City.

We put out a call for help and Master Deputy Terry Rudolph and Deputy First Class Paul Shore, from your department, responded very quickly to help us examine the package and sweep the establishment. With their help we were able to return the customers to the building within several hours.

I want to thank these deputies for their great work and assistance to us. Their quick and professional response was of great assistance to us.

Please make sure these fine deputies get the recognition they deserve and if there is ever anything we can do to reciprocate please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin L. Sanzenbacher".

Kevin L. Sanzenbacher  
Chief of Police



The Town of  
**Leesburg,  
Virginia**



65 Plaza Street, N.E. ■ 20176 ■ 703-771-4500 ■ Police Department ■ FAX: 703-771-4545 ■ **April 15, 2016** ■ [www.leesburgva.gov](http://www.leesburgva.gov)

**Sheriff Michael L. Chapman**  
Loudoun County Sheriff's Office  
803 Sycolin Road, SE  
Leesburg, VA 20175

Dear Sheriff Chapman:

I am writing to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to you, and your staff for their assistance on April 2, 2016 for a homicide that occurred in Leesburg. Their prompt response and professional demeanor assisted us in the successful apprehension of the homicide suspect within an hour of the incident. The professionalism and esprit de corps between our two agencies should be a model for all to follow.

I would like to especially thank your CSU Deputy, Matt Devaney, for diagramming and processing the crime scene; but also the following individuals:

Captain Greg Brown  
Lieutenant Tom Gilligan  
Sergeant Greg Rogers  
Sergeant Mike Beatty  
Detective Mark Bush  
Detective Colette Cunningham  
Deputy Perry Bailey  
Deputy Cary House  
Deputy Placido Sanchez  
Deputy Ty Crane  
Deputy Nathan House  
Deputy Jason Gadell  
Deputy Kevin Solan  
Deputy Anne Ottosen

Please extend my thanks to your staff for their valuable contribution in this tragic event. The Leesburg Police Department looks forward to strengthening our professional relationship, and please don't hesitate if we can ever be of assistance to your agency.

Sincerely,

Captain Vanessa Grigsby  
Interim Chief of Police  
Leesburg Police Department

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**5710  
26 April 2016**

**Michael L. Chapman  
Loudoun County Sheriff  
Loudoun County Sheriff's Office  
P.O. Box 7200  
Leesburg, VA 20177-7200**

**Dear Sheriff Chapman:**

Please accept my thanks to you and your staff for going above and beyond expectations during the recent visit by the delegation from the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. Upon their arrival to the United States, a senior delegation member was detained at the Dulles Airport and transferred to the custody of your staff at the Loudoun County Adult Detention Center. Your staff demonstrated superior professionalism ensuring the Coast Guard and the government of Jordan were kept apprised of the individual's condition and case status. In addition, your staff extended the utmost discretion and courtesy by facilitating a visit by the Jordanian Head of Delegation and our representative, Lieutenant Commander Alan Hansen.

Specifically, Captain Charles Richardson and Sergeant Jeffery Haig provided timely notifications to our team, coordinated an unplanned weekend visit well outside the facility's normal schedule, helped the individual communicate with his family, and facilitated the Jordanian Embassy's access to provide additional support and assistance. Together, their actions allowed my staff to concentrate on our primary mission to educate the delegation, strengthening Jordan's security risk management systems within their seaports.

The Coast Guard International Port Security (IPS) Program was created in response to the tragic events of September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001 which led to the establishment of the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002. This law directs the Coast Guard to assess the implementation of effective anti-terrorism measures in the ports of nations conducting maritime trade with the United States. Successful accomplishment of this mission requires the Coast Guard IPS Program to observe the ports of our foreign trading partners and for our counterparts to visit ports in the United States. The assistance provided by you and your staff helped ensure the success of this visit and will ensure the Coast Guard's future continued access to countries around the world.

**Sincerely,**

**T. J. Kaminski  
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard**



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April 5, 2016

Sheriff Michael L. Chapman  
P.O Box 7200  
Leesburg, VA 22601

Dear Sheriff Chapman:

I want to thank you and your personnel for the loan of the crisis negotiation equipment and training that was provided to us on April 20, 2016.

Investigator Mike Grimsley, of your staff, not only made the arrangements for us to borrow this vital equipment but he took the time to come to Winchester and help our Crisis Negotiations Team train on the equipment. I cannot tell you how much we appreciate this cooperation and assistance.

This is the second time this month I have had to send you a similar letter. I hope at some point in the future we get the opportunity to repay these favors. If there is ever anything you need please do not hesitate to call.

Again, thank you and your staff for all the assistance provided to us.

Sincerely,

Kevin L. Sanzenbacher  
Chief of Police

**From:** noreply@civicplus.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 17, 2016 2:28 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Online Form Submittal: Compliment Form

## Compliment Form

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### Your Information

First Name: [REDACTED]  
Middle Initial: [REDACTED]  
Last Name: [REDACTED]  
Address: [REDACTED]  
City: Sterling  
State: VA  
Zip: [REDACTED]  
Home Phone: [REDACTED]  
Work Phone: [REDACTED]  
Email: [REDACTED] [lepley85@yahoo.com](mailto:lepley85@yahoo.com)

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### Incident Information

Please enter the deputy(s) / employee(s) names: Unknown  
Incident Location: Lower Island Blvd (LIB)  
Date of Incident: 04/16/2016  
Time of Incident: 10:58am  
Explain the circumstances: As I was on LIB headed towards Algonkian Pkwy, as I started

**From:** noreply@civicplus.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 14, 2016 10:34 AM  
**To:** Chapman, Mike; Buckman, Robert; Poland, Mark; Corwin, Karen  
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### Your Information

First Name: [REDACTED]  
Middle Initial: [REDACTED]  
Last Name: [REDACTED]  
Address: [REDACTED]  
City: Purcellville  
State: va  
Zip: 20134  
Home Phone: [REDACTED]  
Work Phone: [REDACTED]  
Email: [REDACTED]

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### Incident Information

Please enter the deputy(s) / employee(s) names: Sgt. Newjet, and Dep. Alpy  
Incident Location: Nations and Nesting Sq  
Date of Incident: 4/14/2016  
Time of Incident: 08:04am  
Explain the circumstances: I have a bus driver that was worried about someone passing

on why you are paying  
this compliment:

their bus several time while their red lights were on, almost striking a student, I got the non emergency number from a friend who is a Dep Sherriff as well and made a call. Sgt. Newjet called me back and we discussed the situation. Later that afternoon I got a call from Dep. Alpy. He explained what needs to be done and assisted me and my driver. This morning Dep Alpy was at the stop location and was going to watch what was going on. I had given him the plate number that my driver gave me. Me and my coworker were at the location watching the stop and here came the car and Dep Alpy was right behind her. Needless to say he was doing a great job! We all are parents at some point in our lives and when you drive a school bus those children become yours as well. It is the safety of the children this is our main concern. I appreciate the quick response that the Sherriff's office looked into this matter. Everyone I talked or had contact with, has been a pleasure to speak too and work with. You all never get the praises you should for everything that you all do.. Kudos to everyone in your department. I am proud to be a Loudoun County resident and respect all that you do for our County. Thank you again. What a great job you all have done.

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**From:** Brown, Greg  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2016 2:56 PM  
**To:** Poland, Mark  
**Cc:** Chapman, Mike; Buckman, Robert; Troxell, Craig; Corwin, Karen  
**Subject:** RE: Online Form Submittal: Compliment Form

Yes...very nice compliment! I will send an inquiry out to the shifts and try to identify the deputies.

GCB

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**From:** Poland, Mark  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2016 2:48 PM  
**To:** Brown, Greg  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: Online Form Submittal: Compliment Form

Greg- can you please try and identify who this was? Nice compliment. Thanks, Mark

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**From:** [noreply@civicplus.com](mailto:noreply@civicplus.com) [mailto:noreply@civicplus.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2016 1:58 PM  
**To:** Chapman, Mike <Mike.Chapman@loudoun.gov>; Buckman, Robert <Robert.Buckman@loudoun.gov>; Poland, Mark <Mark.Poland@loudoun.gov>; Corwin, Karen <Karen.Corwin@loudoun.gov>; Mills, Liz <Liz.Mills@loudoun.gov>  
**Subject:** Online Form Submittal: Compliment Form

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### Your Information

First Name: [REDACTED]

Middle Initial: [REDACTED]

Last Name: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED] er.

City: Sterling

State: VA

Zip: 20164



**From:** noreply@civicplus.com  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 9:32 AM  
**To:** Chapman, Mike; Buckman, Robert; Poland, Mark; Corwin, Karen  
**Subject:** Online Form Submittal: Compliment Form

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### Your Information

**First Name:** [REDACTED]  
**Middle Initial:** [REDACTED]  
**Last Name:** [REDACTED]  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
**City:** Purcellville  
**State:** VA  
**Zip:** [REDACTED]  
**Home Phone:** [REDACTED]  
**Work Phone:** *Field not completed.*  
**Email:** [REDACTED]

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### Incident Information

**Please enter the deputy(s) / employee(s) names:** Deputy Alpy and Deputy Shores  
**Incident Location:** Alder School Road  
**Date of Incident:** 4/1/16 and 4/8/16  
**Time of Incident:** 7-9 AM  
**Explain the circumstances** I filed a traffic complaint about the speeding on our gravel road

on why you are paying  
this compliment:

because of traffic to the elementary and high school. These two deputies were assigned to do speed control. I can't thank them enough for their attentiveness to this issue. Both deputies were very professional and very courteous. They take their job very seriously and do it with the upmost respect. I am very appreciative of all they did and continue to do to return at later dates to assist in enforcing the speeding issue. This is a gravel road and construction is taking place on this road as well and drivers just don't seem to care about safety given we had a child crash thru our fence and land in my front yard. These two deputies uphold the highest of standards of the LOCO Sheriff Dept and I greatly appreciate knowing that they both are on the force keeping the citizens safe.

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**From:** noreply@civicplus.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 09, 2016 5:13 PM  
**To:** Chapman, Mike; Buckman, Robert; Poland, Mark; Corwin, Karen  
**Subject:** Online Form Submittal: Compliment Form

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### Your Information

**First Name:** [REDACTED]

**Middle Initial:** [REDACTED]

**Last Name:** [REDACTED]

**Address:** [REDACTED]

**City:** Wayzata

**State:** Minnesota

**Zip:** [REDACTED]

**Home Phone:** [REDACTED]

**Work Phone:** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]@gmail.com

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### Incident Information

**Please enter the deputy(s) / employee(s) names:** Sheriff Deputy Ambroise

**Incident Location:** LevinTV

**Date of Incident:** 4-8-2016

**Time of Incident:** 9PM

**Explain the circumstances:** Sheriff Deputy Ambroise distinguished himself on LevinTV! I

on why you are paying  
this compliment:

am so proud of this Officer. His integrity, his honesty and,  
general manner. He is yet another example, of the many, of  
why Law Enforcement are simply the best of us. While I salute  
ALL Officers that participated in this show, Deputy Ambroise  
was a real stand-out for me. Big salute to Deputy Ambroise!  
Law Enforcement: Thank you for your service!! Tom Haugan  
Veteran: US Army Airborne Infantry: Honorable Discharge

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Corwin, Karen

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From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Wednesday, March 30, 2016 8:25 AM  
To: Chapman, Mike  
Cc: [REDACTED]  
Subject: Thank you

Mike,

As chief for the Lovettsville Crime Watch group, it is my duty to underscore how appreciative we all are of your deputies hard work and service to our Sector 520. Thank you for the good work Deputy Victor Lopreto, Deputy James Spurlock and Deputy Kyle Kernan do on a daily basis.

Being a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals and for many years a Planning Commissioner to The Town of Lovettsville, and Vice President of The Board for Lovettsville Town Center Home Owners Association; I can with conviction once again thank you for the hard work your deputies log in day in and out to keep us safe.

I know first hand what that uniform represents, and my complete respect and appreciation is absolute. Hope to see you again this year during Mayfest or later in the year during Oktoberfest.

With very kind regards,

Anthony Quintana  
CSO Aux. # 27

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Anthony Quintana  
Sales Director  
Pan Am International Flight Academy, Inc.  
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**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Online Form Submittal: Compliment Form

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### Your Information

**First Name:** [REDACTED]  
**Middle Initial:** [REDACTED]  
**Last Name:** [REDACTED]  
**Address:** [REDACTED]  
**City:** South Riding  
**State:** Virginia  
**Zip:** [REDACTED]  
**Home Phone:** [REDACTED]  
**Work Phone:** *Field not completed.*  
**Email:** [REDACTED]

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### Incident Information

**Please enter the deputy(s) / employee(s) names:** Deputy First Class William Leonard #2757  
**Incident Location:** Route 50 and Loudoun Co Parkway  
**Date of Incident:** 4/2/16  
**Time of Incident:** 1:00  
**Explain the circumstances** On Saturday April 2, 2016 there was a very minor traffic

on why you are paying  
this compliment:

incident that occurred at the intersection of Route 50 and Loudoun County Parkway. While the incident was very minor the other party of the vehicle involved became so irate and threatening to me and my 16 year old daughter that when the police arrived to the scene I was a very thankful woman. I cannot thank Deputy First Class William Leonard #2757 enough for not only taking control of the scene but also his professionalism and compassion to calm my daughter and myself in the process. To make a long story short the male driver of the other vehicle threatened to back hand/strike me and my daughter saw him come after me and this made her extremely upset. My daughter was shaking like a leaf when Deputy Leonard arrived on the scene but after speaking with her he took control of everything and assured her that everything would be fine and she had no worries with him there. At one point he held her shaking hand and as a Mother this goes above and beyond service and he should be commended. While she still plays this back in her mind of the incident she said to me last night "Mom, that Deputy made me feel so secure and protected" those are the words that brings a smile to my face and I simply cannot thank him enough. Please recognize him for going above and beyond and let him know how thankful we are of him. I would also like to thank Gail? (911 operator) who used her professionalism and cared for our safety, she remained on the line with us until Deputy Leonard arrived. She talked to us and made us feel better in knowing simply that she was on the other end of the phone and was not going anywhere until a Deputy arrived. Please thank her for us.

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**Corwin, Karen**

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**From:** Chapman, Mike  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2016 6:49 AM  
**To:** Virginia Piretti  
**Cc:** Shelow, Herbert; Cumberledge, George; Poland, Mark; Buckman, John; Fraga, John; Corwin, Karen  
**Subject:** Re: Deputy Herbert "Rusty" Shelow (case #2016-003861)

Thank you Virginia. I am very proud of the great - and compassionate work out deputies do. I will make sure that people in his chain of command are aware of your compliment.

Thanks again.

Mike

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 4, 2016, at 11:02 PM, wrote: >

> Dear Sheriff Chapman,

> On Friday, March 11th at 8 a.m., my 17 yr old grandson, Jason Sorrells was involved in an incident on Database SQ. Aldie, VA. My grandson is severely autistic and can be extremely violent and out of control.

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> Jason was visiting his Dad when after an argument he ran out from the resident in to traffic. He proceeded to jump onto the hood of several vehicles doing extensive damage. Deputy "Rusty" Shelow responded to the scene.

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> The purpose of this letter is to commend deputy Shelow for handling the situation. For over a year, his parents have been trying to get the proper help for this boy. My daughter, Monica Sorrells has called 911 many times because of his violent behavior to her, his brothers and their property. The only help she has gotten is "in home counseling". Deputy Shelow was so concerned, that he inquired to my son-in-law as to who he can contact to get him the help he needs. He took it upon himself to contact the appropriate, authorities and within three days Jason was placed in a secure facility (Grafton) where he can get the help he needs.

> Thanks to Deputy Shelow, he did what my daughter has been trying to do

> for over a year. Please extend my sincere thanks from me and the entire family. We need more deputy's like him.

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> Sincerely,

> Grandparent

> p.s. Jason has been there for several weeks, and already shows signs of improvement.



*City of Alexandria, Virginia*

*Department of Police*

*3600 Wheeler Avenue*

*Alexandria, Virginia 22304*

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*Earl L. Cook*  
*Chief of Police*

March 18, 2016

Sheriff Michael L. Chapman  
Loudoun County Sheriff's Office  
P.O. Box 7200  
Leesburg, Virginia 20177-7200

Dear Sheriff Chapman: *mike,*

I am writing to commend the outstanding police work of three members of the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office.

The Alexandria Police Department has been investigating a series of murders that occurred in Alexandria over an almost ten year period. Each of the three victims was inexplicably shot after answering a knock at the front door. As you can imagine, these crimes were both shocking and frightening to the citizens of Alexandria. After an exhaustive investigation, Alexandria detectives identified Charles Severance as the suspect for these crimes. Once Severance was identified as a resident of Ashburn, Virginia, Alexandria detectives sought the assistance of detectives from your agency.

Alexandria detectives contacted Detective Collette Cunningham and Detective Steve Schochet who were willing and able to assist. These detectives assisted in obtaining and executing search warrants, conducting interviews, and collecting evidence. They willingly provided whatever assistance was requested, and their efforts were vital to our murder investigation.

Charles Severance was charged in Loudoun County on weapons charges while the Alexandria case was prepared for indictment. During that time, Detectives Cunningham and Schochet continued to provide support. In addition, Captain Ebersole and his staff at the Loudoun County Detention Center went out of their way to provide Alexandria detective access to recorded jail calls, inmate mail, and brought to our attention several inmates who provided information about Severance.

Last month, after having been convicted of the three murders, Charles Severance was sentenced to serve three life terms plus 48 years in prison. This successful outcome was due in large part to the outstanding work from members of your agency. I wanted to commend the efforts of Detective Cunningham, Detective Schochet, and Captain Ebersole, and express my sincere appreciation for the support from you and the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office.

Sincerely,

*Earl L. Cook*

Earl L. Cook  
Chief of Police