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## **MDOC Investigator Among Latest FBI Academy Graduates**

JACKSON - The assistant chief investigator for the Mississippi Department of Corrections is among the latest graduates of the FBI National Academy Program at Quantico, Va.

John Hunt completed the 10-week session earlier this month. The class of 256 law enforcement officers represented men and women from 49 states, the District of Columbia, 35 international countries, five military organizations and seven federal civilian organizations. The graduates of the 276<sup>th</sup> Session have an average of 21 years of law enforcement experience.

"I am pleased to announce that John received this training of the highest level, showing the MDOC's commitment to the professional development of its employees," Commissioner Pelicia E. Hall said.

Hunt, assistant director of the Corrections Investigation Division (CID), has been with the MDOC since September 2006. The U.S. Marine veteran came to corrections after working as a patrol officer with the Flowood Police Department. He is currently working with the FBI Violent Crime Task Force.

Hunt said the training at Quantico was rewarding both professionally and personally and has helped him to become a more effective leader to problem solve, maximize the strengths of those under his command and to better understand them. "Corrections is a demanding profession that keeps you on your toes all the time," Hunt said.