



BEHIND THE BADGE

Trea Staples

Lieutenant | *Mississippi Highway Patrol*

“Mississippi’s law enforcement are the best in the nation. Time and time again, these brave men and women answer the call to protect and serve, putting their lives on the line to protect ours. The Secretary of State’s Office is proud to honor their service to our great State.”

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Lt. Trea Staples was born in Laurel, MS and raised in Jasper County, MS where he graduated from Stringer High School. Staples attended Jones County Junior College for two years before joining the Laurel Police Department and attending Basic Class 187 at the Mississippi Law Enforcement Officer’s Training Academy in 1999, at the age of 21. While employed with the Laurel Police Department, Lt. Staples served on Patrol, the Narcotics Division and the Special Response Team.

In January 2004, Lt. Staples began working for the Jones County Sheriff’s Department where he served on Patrol, the Narcotics Division and the S.W.A.T. Team. After serving there for almost two years, he had an opportunity to fulfil his lifelong dream of becoming a Mississippi State Trooper. Lt. Staples graduated patrol school in 2006 and was assigned to serve in the Hattiesburg district.

Since joining the Mississippi Highway Patrol, he has had the pleasure of serving in the Enforcement Division, Special Operations Group and Training Division. Lt. Staples has been a TAC Officer in two patrol schools and he is a member of the Mississippi Highway Patrol S.W.A.T. Team.

Trea is married with three children, one granddaughter and another granddaughter on the way. He and his family reside in Jasper County.

