



# BEHIND THE BADGE

## Tommy J. Curtis

Sergeant | Vicksburg Police Department

Sergeant Tommy J. Curtis Jr., an eleven year veteran of the police force, is currently the head of the Juvenile Division for the Vicksburg Police Department. He is also a minister at Unity Temple Full Gospel Church. Sergeant Curtis received a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Delta State University in 2003, a master's degree in public administration from Ashford University, and a master's of art and religion from Liberty University.



Sergeant Curtis has attained numerous achievements while working for the police department. In May of this year, Curtis was promoted to the rank of Sergeant and also graduated the Certified Investigator Program. He has been named Top Cop 2016. Curtis was a 2016 Officer of the Year nominee for Mississippi Homecoming Benevolent Club and was Officer of the Year in 2011 for Mississippi Homecoming Benevolent Club. Sergeant Curtis is currently the coordinator of the Vicksburg Police Department Summer Youth Program.

His dedication and hard work have helped him excel in numerous divisions including School Resource Officer, Internal Affairs, Training Coordinator, Police Chaplain, Police Recruiter, and Juvenile Investigation. Curtis also helped with the Accreditation of the Vicksburg Police Department. He is an active member of Mississippi Association of Gang Investigators.

Sergeant Curtis has been married to his wife, Rebecca, for 13 years. They have three children: Dejonae, Anthony and Tommy III. Sergeant Curtis is a very compassionate



person and enjoys working with youth and spending time with his family. He believes there are no secrets to success. Instead, Sergeant Curtis believes success is the result of preparation, hard work, and learning from failure.

*“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.”*

*Dellunt*