



Major Case Squad

Chairman of the Board
Sheriff Jeff Connor

of Greater St. Louis



*******MEDIA RELEASE*******

The Major Case Squad of Greater St. Louis announces the next Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Madison County Sheriff Jeff C. Connor has been selected to lead the Major Case Squad of Greater St. Louis as the new Chairman of the Board of Directors. After holding the position for 12 years and serving 53 years in law enforcement, former Chairman, Chesterfield Police Chief Ray Johnson, has retired.

The Major Case Squad is activated to investigate homicides and other serious major crimes throughout the St. Louis region. It includes 600 highly trained criminal homicide investigators from a 14-county region, including the County of St. Louis and all the municipalities in the region. This elite task force was created in 1965 and has been one of the longest standing collaborations of professional law enforcement agencies in the nation.

During the past 59 years, the Major Case Squad is averaging an unprecedented 85% clearance rate, also making it one of the most successful homicide units in the nation.

Sheriff Connor has dedicated his life to the greater good. His law enforcement career extends over 35 years, serving both Granite City Police Department and the Madison County Sheriff's Office, becoming Sheriff in 2023. Jeff C. Connor took his first Major Case Squad assignment in 1990 as an investigator and has since worked his way up through the ranks, serving as Report Officer, Deputy Commander, Chief Deputy Commander of Illinois, Commander of the Squad, Executive Board member and now the Chairman of the Board. Sheriff Connor is extremely passionate about the mission and purpose of the Major Case Squad of Greater St. Louis. While serving as a supervisor, Sheriff Connor commanded 25 homicides and has become an instrumental resource for guidance and leadership.

The change in leadership was effective January 1st, 2024.