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PRESS RELEASE

Dedication To Community Names Cory McGookin, Vice President – Law Enforcement Relations

Dedication To Community (D2C) is excited to announce the addition of Cory McGookin as D2C's Vice President of Law Enforcement Relations and Senior Instructor. McGookin is a newly retired FBI agent who most recently served as Unit Chief at the FBI National Academy. In this specially created role, McGookin will act as D2C's primary liaison with law enforcement, both globally and domestically, and continue to feed his passion for education by joining D2C's founder, M. Quentin Williams, in the classroom.

McGookin is eminently qualified for such a role after serving in a variety of areas during his career as an FBI special agent in the Chicago and Washington D.C. regions where he focused primarily on violent crimes and gang-related activity while also being a certified member of the Evidence Response Team (ERT) in Chicago. A teacher at heart, McGookin dedicated the latter part of his career to the prestigious FBI National Academy at Quantico, VA in order to fulfill his life's calling. He served as a senior instructor for undergraduate and graduate leadership classes and was ultimately promoted to a senior leader position in charge of all instructors before being hand-selected to run the National Academy program.

Prior to his FBI career, Cory spent a decade as an airborne cryptologic Spanish linguist in the U.S. Air Force. He earned a graduate degree in leadership from Bellevue University in Nebraska and coached a competitive travel fastpitch softball team in Virginia for several years.

When asked, why he chose to join D2C, McGookin said, "I had a unique opportunity, while in the FBI, to learn about all of the organizations and programs seeking to bring law enforcement and communities together. Dedication to Community is the one I wanted to join upon retiring because they are the most impactful."

"We are thrilled to have Cory on the D2C team. He exemplifies servant-leadership at the highest level, and having him as one of our organization's executives will undoubtedly accelerate D2C's growth and heighten its impact on the masses. We are also very excited about his work in the classroom and it'll be an honor to teach alongside him." said Williams.

Williams is a Yonkers, New York-raised, Boston College (where he played football) and St. John's University Law School grad, and a former FBI agent and federal prosecutor who has also held senior community and business positions with the Jacksonville Jaguars, the NBA, and the NFL, and has brought all of those skills and relationships together to grow D2C in the past years. D2C's presence has never been more critical than it is today.

D2C continues to evolve its key goals and actionable outcomes. Education sessions for both national and international law enforcement audiences, a foundational element of D2C's work, are being conducted by the organization in several states and regions including Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Missouri, South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia, all with a focus on addressing solutions for the void that exists in the relationship between law enforcement and the communities they serve. A number of professional sports leagues, teams and players have become integrated into the program as well - with the Miami Heat leading the way with their trailblazing partnership with D2C and the Miami Police Department.

About Dedication To Community (D2C)

Dedication To Community (D2C) is a national non-profit that educates and empowers communities through skill-building workshops and ongoing forums designed to improve understanding and foster relationships while pursuing healing, reconciliation, and unity. Its experts work with government agencies and the private sector by training and advising on critical issues in public safety and law enforcement, as well as diversity, belonging, and equity.

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