

# Sheriff



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Media Request

Public Information Request: Re: Major Brown's Retirement

From: Tom McLaughlin

The agency response is in **bold**.

June 29, 2011

Tom McLaughlin  
Staff Writer  
Northwest Florida Daily News

Good Morning,

Could you please confirm for me that Capt. Paul Brown was, at a recent retirement event, promoted to major and given full health benefits through age 65.

Also,

I'm writing a story today for tomorrow's paper updating recent developments in the lawsuit filed against the Sheriff's Office by Rick Hord, Jon Bush and John Lee. If any of the powers that be, or the Sheriff's Office attorneys would care to comment I can be reached at 315-4435 or via email.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention

Tom

**On June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at a retirement celebration Captain Paul Brown received an honorary promotion to Major in recognition of his 34+ years of dedicated service to Okaloosa County. June 30, 2011 is his effective retirement date.**

**Major Brown will receive a retirement benefit as prescribed in agency General Order 13.02(E.4f) *Sworn employees who work at the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office a minimum of 30 years, and retire in good standing will receive a post employment benefit of having 50 percent of their single coverage health insurance benefit paid for five years or until the retiree becomes covered under Medicare/Medicaid, whichever comes first. (Published June 22, 2011)***

**The agency does not comment on pending litigation.**



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