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Department of Detention Facilities

Jennifer Road Detention Center

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Superintendent

Ordnance Road Correctional Center
2019
EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Officer Michael Best

Officer Michael Best has been employed with the Department since 2012. On a daily basis, Officer Best displays a strong work ethic and positive attitude. Likewise, he has exemplary security prowess.

Officer Best was assigned to the main control center. While one of the monitors containing numerous small videos toggled through its cycle, Officer Best observed an inmate acting bizarre. The inmate was standing in the dayroom shirtless and seemed agitated. Officer Best paid close attention to the actions of this inmate. Officer Best then observed the inmate resisting and assaulting staff. Officer Best immediately called for staff via the radio to respond to the unit.

The Officer involved in the assault never had a chance to get to his radio and call for assistance. In a later interview, the inmate admitted he intentionally grabbed the Officers radio. During the struggle, the radio was removed from the Officer's belt and thrown to the floor. The inmate violently resisted the Officer until responding staff came through the door. At that time, the inmate complied.

Officer Best's keen observation and quick actions provided assistance to an Officer who was unable to call for it. Officer Best's actions also prevented injury to both staff and the inmate while providing security within the confines of the Correctional Center.

For the reasons noted above, the Administration and Staff at the Ordnance Road Correctional Center recognizes Officer Best as our employee of the year.

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