



July 28, 2016

Officer Lance C. Morgan
Coconut Creek Police Department
4800 West Copans Road
Coconut Creek, FL 33063

Dear Officer Morgan:

It is with great pleasure to present you with the ***Excellent Police Duty Award*** for your actions on January 12, 2016.

You were called to Atlantic Technical College (ATC) to investigate a report by security personnel of a male sleeping in the vending machine room. You made contact with the male who couldn't advise why he was there. As he quickly stood up, you observed a large bulge in the front pocket of his jacket. Your vast years of training and experience prompted you to take immediate action, believing the male had a gun.

With steadfast precision and ease, you removed a loaded .25 caliber Beretta handgun from his jacket. The male was handcuffed and the gun secured. He was charged with *Possession of a Stolen Handgun, Violation of Probation, and Possession of Crack Cocaine.*

The location where this armed subject was found is frequented by numerous staff and students at ATC. Thanks to your swift, heroic actions, you prevented the risk of injury and/or death to all those on campus.

I personally consider this exemplary police work and you are to be commended. Therefore, it is with great pride that I present you with the department's ***Exceptional Police Duty Award*** for your valuable service and commitment to the citizens of Coconut Creek.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Albert A. Arenal". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a white background.

ALBERT A. ARENAL
Chief of Police

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cc: Mary C. Blasi, City Manager
Pamela J. Kershaw, HR Director
Acting Deputy Chief, John K. Leonard
Captain John N. DiCintio, Ops. Bureau Commander