

BREAKING NEWS!

After an extensive peer review process, Palm Bay Fire-Rescue Lieutenant Anthony Gianantonio and Lieutenant Michael Shervington have been awarded the professional designation of “Fire Officer” by the Center for Public Safety Excellence.

The Commission on Professional Credentialing met on November 16, 2010, to officially confer the designation upon Lieutenant Gianantonio and Lieutenant Shervington; they are 2 of only 20 designated Fire Officers worldwide, and 2 of only 3 Fire Officers in the State of Florida. This professional designation uses a comprehensive peer review model to evaluate candidates seeking the credential.

The Commission on Profession Credentialing awards the Fire Officer designation only after an individual successfully meets all of the organization’s stringent criteria. The process includes an assessment of the applicant’s education, experience, professional development, technical competencies, contributions to the profession, and community involvement. Additionally, each designee must develop goals and a plan for their future professional development that will be evaluated during their renewal process, which is required every 3 years.

With the recent fire officer designees, Palm Bay Fire-Rescue has a total of 4 professionally designated “Fire Officers” and “Chief Fire Officers,” the most of any fire-rescue agency in Brevard County.

Please join me in congratulating Lieutenant Anthony Gianantonio and Lieutenant Michael Shervington in this great achievement.

Gianantonio and Shervington Receive Coveted “Fire Officer” Designation

“Congratulations! On November 16, 2010, you were designated as a “Fire Officer” (FO) by the Commission on Professional Credentialing. You have earned the professional designation as witnessed by a team of your peers and members of the Commission on Professional Credentialing.

You have demonstrated through your education, professional affiliations and technical competencies that you possess the requisite knowledge, skills, and abilities required for the fire and emergency services profession.

On behalf of the Commission on Professional Credentialing, we commend your efforts and dedication in achieving this personal and professional milestone.”

Palm Bay Fire-Rescue is very excited about these designations as they bring the total of Chief Fire Officers and Fire Officers in the Department to four.

What Is Fire Officer Designation?

The Chief Fire Officer (CFO) Designation Program was created to recognize fire officers who have demonstrated excellence and outstanding achievement throughout their career. The designation demonstrates that individuals have developed a strategy for continued career improvement and development. The highly competitive CFO designation assures departments that their leaders have the educational and technical competencies necessary to meet the demands of today's society.

The National Professional Development Model, supported by the Fire and Emergency Services Higher Education (FESHE) Program, maps an efficient path for fire service professional development. It is supported by collaboration among fire-related training, higher education, and credentialing. The model shows CFO designation as a credential to consider in the career progression to fire service executive.





Lt. Michael Shervington



Lt. Anthony Gianantonio

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