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October 27, 2025

Her Excellency, Governor Kelly A. Ayotte  
and the Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, NH 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

**REQUESTED ACTION**

That approval be and hereby is given to the Attorney General to reappoint Robert J. Sullivan (Position #9U601, Appropriation #02-20-20-200510-2904-014-500134) as a Criminal Justice Investigator at a salary level of \$92,097 (LG BB, Step 7) effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval or November 20, 2025, whichever is later, for a term ending November 20, 2030.

**EXPLANATION**

Mr. Sullivan, a Newmarket resident, amassed extensive law enforcement experience in a career spanning more than 28 years. While still serving in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves, he graduated from the San Bernardino Sheriff's Academy in 1994--where he won the Tactical Officer's Award--and was certified as a Police Officer. Following graduation, he worked as a San Bernardino Police Officer in the patrol and narcotics divisions before being promoted to Detective in 2004. As a Detective, he was assigned to work robbery, internal affairs, homicide, and cold cases. He was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 2011, and subsequently held supervisory positions in the patrol, detective, and homicide units. Mr. Sullivan retired from the San Bernardino Police Department in 2017, moved to New Hampshire, and joined the Department as an Investigator. He was assigned to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit from 2017 until 2021. He was assigned to the Attorney General's Drug Task Force from 2021 until 2025. Earlier this year, he was assigned to the New Hampshire State Police Narcotics Investigation Unit as a full-time narcotics investigator. He has also served as a Task Force Officer for the United States Secret Service's New England Cyber Fraud Task Force since 2024. His salary will remain the same. A copy of his resume is attached for your consideration.

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I am very pleased to offer Mr. Sullivan's reappointment as Criminal Justice Investigator at the above-referenced salary for your approval and respectfully urge your favorable consideration. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,



John M. Formella  
Attorney General

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# ROBERT J. SULLIVAN

Resourceful and results oriented law enforcement professional with keen observation and reporting skills. Worldly with specialized skillsets in the area of criminal and administrative investigations. Former Marine with proven attention to detail, follow through, and problem solving ability. Experienced situational leader with in depth knowledge of leadership principles, recognized for keen ability to perform within pressured environments. Highly dedicated individual who exhibits the highest degree of professionalism, with working knowledge on business and management principles. A team player with effective interpersonal and communication skills, adept at building productive relationships and building rapport with a diverse set of individuals. My 31 years of experience in the field of investigations as well as my dynamic personality will significantly contribute to the organization's mission and culture of service.

## ***Talent Profile includes:***

- Mobile Device Forensics
- Mass Shootings/Active Shooter
- High Profile Investigations
- Internal Investigations
- OIS Investigations
- Homicide Investigations
- Security Services
- Economic Cr. Investigations
- Airport Police Operations
- Narcotic Investigations
- Medicaid Fraud
- Investigations Supervision

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## Professional Experience

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### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL



#### **USSS TFO, 2024-Present**

In 2024, I continued my assignment at the Drug Task Force as a full-time narcotics detective. I was additionally assigned as a Task Force Officer for Secret Service's New England Cyber Fraud Task Force.



#### **INVESTIGATOR, 2025-Present**

In 2025, I was assigned to the New Hampshire State Police, Narcotic Investigation Unit, I am assigned as a full-time narcotics investigator.



#### **DETECTIVE, 2021-2025**

In 2021, I was assigned to the New Hampshire Attorney General's Drug Task Force. I am assigned to the Metro team as a full-time narcotics detective.



#### **INVESTIGATOR, 2017-2021**

In June of 2017, I was appointed by the Governor's Office to the position of Criminal Investigator at the Attorney General's Office. I was assigned to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit on June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017. The unit is responsible for criminal

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and civil investigations involving Medicaid provider fraud, board and care facilities, elder abuse, elder exploitation, and drug diversion.



## **SAN BERNARDINO POLICE DEPARTMENT, CALIFORNIA**

During my tenure with the San Bernardino Police Department, I have worked as a patrol officer, a bicycle mounted enforcement team officer, a field training officer, a narcotics investigator, a robbery detective, an internal affairs detective, a homicide detective, a homicide detective sergeant, a patrol sergeant, and an investigations detective sergeant.

### **SERGEANT (SUPERVISOR), 2010-2017**

In October of 2010, I was certified to the rank of Sergeant and assigned to lead the homicide unit (First tour). From October until mid-December, the homicide unit was challenged with numerous high-profile murders, death investigations, and an officer involved shooting. I excelled during this time. It was my honor to train the new members of our team and ensured that quality investigations were being completed. I worked hard at keeping management informed and the investigators focused on the job, immune to the city politics associated with the high profile cases.

In December of 2010, the department experienced a need for patrol supervisors and I was sent to patrol. I successfully completed the SBPD sergeant field training program and all the less lethal option training.

I was promoted to Sergeant in April of 2011 and was assigned to patrol. I was often called upon to train the newly promoted sergeants.

In 2014, I transferred to the Detective Bureau and was assigned to supervise the District Crimes investigative team. I supervised 7 detectives and 2 civilian investigators.

In 2015, I transferred to the Homicide Unit within the Detective Bureau (Second Tour) and was assigned to supervise the Homicide investigative team. I headed the IRC Mass Shooting homicide investigation (terrorist attack) on 12-2-15. I supervised 10 detectives.

### **DETECTIVE, 2004 - 2010**

In 2004, I was promoted to detective and was assigned work robbery investigations. I also worked as an internal affairs investigator and served five years in homicide (First tour).

In April of 2008, the department formed a Cold Case unit. I was one of the first two detectives assigned to review all of the unsolved homicides from 1977-2007.

The following is a list of classes and seminars that I attended during my time in homicide:

- Criminal Investigations
- Homicide Investigations
- Officer Involved Shootings
- Blood Spatter Analysis
- Crime Scene Investigation
- Interview and Interrogation
- DNA/Cold Case Symposium
- Search Warrant Writing
- High Profile Homicides and Police Officer Murder Case Management.

### **NARCOTICS INVESTIGATOR, 2000 – 2004**

In 2000, I was assigned to the Narcotics Division. I worked as a narcotic investigator for four years on the most successful and record breaking narcotics team in the history of the department.

### ***Selected Achievements:***

Clan lab expert, undercover operations, Electronic/urban surveillance, expertise Heroin, Methamphetamine, Cocaine

### **POLICE OFFICER, 1993 – 2004**

In February 1994, I became a police officer. I graduated in the top five in the San Bernardino Sheriff's Academy 114th Session and received the Tactical Officer's Award.

In 1997, I was assigned to a two-man bicycle mounted enforcement team. In the first year of my assignment we made over 600 arrests and enjoyed a ninety eight percent filing rate with the District Attorney's office. For our achievements I was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal. My partner and I became regular instructors for the San Bernardino Sheriff's Bicycle Patrol Class.

In 1999, I returned to the patrol division and was selected to be one of the first P-1 Field Training Officers. I served as a field training officer with distinction, off and on, from 1999 to 2004.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company USMCR. – Long Beach, California** **FIRE CONTROL TEAM SERGEANT, 1990-1996**



Led a six-person Marine forward observer team in numerous over-seas operations. The operations focused on working with the foreign military units. The operations were conducted in the most physically and mentally stressful environments imaginable.

#### ***Selected Duties:***

Land navigation, field radio operations, parachutist, forward observer, naval gun spotter, forward air controller

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## **EDUCATION & TRAINING**

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**Bachelor of Arts (BA) Business and Management, 2014– University of Redlands, Redlands, CA USA**

**Master of Arts (MA) Business and Executive Leadership, 2016– Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA USA**

#### ***Professional Development Courses:***

Basic POST (Police Officer Standards and Training) Certificate – San Bernardino County Sheriff's Dept. – 1994

Intermediate POST Certificate – California POST – 2000

Advanced POST Certificate – California POST – 2003

Supervisor POST Certificate – California POST – 2013

Bicycle Police Certified Trainer

Supervisory Leadership Institute # 372 - 2016

*Full Time Police Officer Certificate – New Hampshire PSTC – 2018*

#### ***Award & Recognitions:***

National Defense Service Medal USMCR -- 1990

Distinguished Service Medal SBPD -- 1999

Whitehead Leadership Society University of Redlands -- 2013

Life Saving Medal SBPD–12-2-2015

Meritorious Service Medal SBPD -- 2017

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## **LICENSES**

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CCW Per 18 USC 926C. Issued by San Bernardino Police Department

Glock Armorer Exp. 2026

NH Pistol Instructor Exp. 12/2027

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## **MEMBERSHIP**

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American Legion Post 0067



New Hampshire Police Association Pipes and Drums Band



National Technical Investigators' Association NATIA

