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Jonathan Patrick, BS

Veteran Justice Specialist, Virginia Veteran and Family Support Virginia Department of Veteran Services

Jonathan Patrick a native of Roanoke, Virginia, Jonathan served in the United States Marine Corps from June 2009 to September 2017. Throughout his time in the Marine Corps, Jonathan served as an Infantry Rifleman and was assigned to numerous duties that included Team Leader, Squad Leader, Platoon Guide, Platoon Sergeant, Company Operations and Training Chief, and the Marine Barracks Washington, D.C. Military District Washington Liaison. Jonathan's last deployment was in 2012 where he completed a seven-month combat tour in Helmand Province, Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. After returning home from deployment Jonathan was hand selected to represent the Marine Corps at Marine Barracks Washington, D.C., which included duties at Arlington National Cemetery, the Pentagon, and the White House. Jonathan's personal military decorations include the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, and Combat Action Ribbon.

After separating from the Marine Corps in September of 2017, Jonathan immediately began his career with the Virginia Department of Veterans Services. On October 25th, 2018 Jonathan assumed his current position as the Veteran Justice Specialist (VJS) covering the department's northern region. As VJS Jonathan provides outreach and supportive services to justice-involved veterans in courts, jails and correctional facilities in the service area. Those services include, but are not limited to, needs assessment, service planning, care coordination, monitoring and support. In his free time Jonathan enjoys spending time with family and friends, playing and watching basketball, and visiting historic sites throughout the United States.

Paula Domenici, Ph.D.

Director, Training and Education Center for Deployment Psychology

Paula Domenici, Ph.D., is Director of Training Education at the Center for Deployment Psychology (CDP) at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Maryland. She oversees the development of courses and training programs for providers on evidence-based treatments for Service members and Veterans. She also presents workshops on deployment behavioral health topics for clinicians across the country. Dr. Domenici specializes in trauma and the treatment of PTSD using Prolonged Exposure Therapy (PE). When she first joined CDP in 2006, she worked at the National Naval Medical Center in the outpatient clinic and inpatient casualty care unit. Earlier in her career, she was APA Congressional Fellow as well as a Staff Psychologist at the San Francisco VA Medical Center. She has co-authored two self-help books for troops returning from Iraq and Afghanistan and their families including parents whose sons or daughters have served.