



Certificate of Promotion

LIEUTENANT

January 21, 2025

Greetings,

I am making a recommendation for the recognition of Prevention Division Coordinator Donnie Blankenship to the rank of Lieutenant. The recognition of this rank is representative of the career path for his position. Donnie has met the required prerequisites set forth for this recognition.

Division Coordinator Blankenship has been employed with the City of Dalton Fire Department since November 2002. Donnie progressed through the suppression ranks making Firefighter 3 in February 2011 before being reassigned to the Fire Prevention Division as an Inspector in November 2015. Donnie was promoted to the position of Prevention Division Coordinator in January 2024. During his tenure in the Prevention Division, Coordinator Blankenship has completed numerous certifications through the State of Georgia, National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications, and International Code Council that prove invaluable in the performance of his assigned duties. Additionally, Inspector Blankenship has been a certified fire investigator since March 2016 and actively participates in fire investigations within the city.

I would appreciate your support in recognizing Prevention Division Coordinator Donnie Blankenship with the rank of Lieutenant.

Thank you all for your consideration.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Matt Daniel'.

Matt Daniel
Fire Chief