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### **Law Enforcement Officers receive Award from District Attorney**

District Attorney Pete Weir has announced the First Judicial District Attorney's Awards for Investigator of the Year and Patrol Officer of the Year. The awards were presented at the District Attorney's annual staff meeting on December 11, 2018. This is the fourth year these awards have been given. The award is designed to honor two exemplary law enforcement officers, thanking them for their service to the community and their dedication to the cause of justice.

#### *The 2018 Law Enforcement Award Recipients*

Detective Bobby Brooks, Arvada Police Department,  
Investigator of the Year

Patrol Agent Jaime Cardenas, Lakewood Police Department,  
Patrol Officer of the Year

The First Judicial District is comprised of Jefferson and Gilpin counties and has 13 law enforcement agencies, including 11 police departments, and two sheriffs' offices. These agencies provide well over a thousand sworn officers who are dedicated to keeping our community safe. This includes working with prosecutors from arrest and through the criminal justice system. These working relationships are critical for successful case outcomes.

"We are fortunate to have many exceptional law enforcement officers within the First Judicial District," said DA Pete Weir, "Recognizing officers for their outstanding efforts in 2018 is one small way we acknowledge them for their service."

When this award was created four years ago, Weir chose to honor a patrol officer as well as a detective, "While detectives are often involved in complex felony cases, the patrol officers are on the front line. They work in our communities and, at times, when least expecting it, must walk into the face of danger."

The honorees are nominated by prosecutors and a selection committee makes the final decision.