

## Biography Carl W. Richards

Trooper First Class Carl Richards received his associate degree from Johnson and Wales University of Providence, RI. He went on to graduate from the Pennsylvania State Police Academy in 1999. He served as a Patrol Trooper in Uniontown, Greensburg and Somerset PA until 2008 when he transitioned into the Criminal Investigation Unit. In 2010, while still assigned to the Criminal Investigation Unit, Trooper Richards served as an Assistant Deputy Fire Marshal. In 2013 he was named the State Police Deputy Fire Marshal for Troop A. He has completed specialized training in Fire Photography, Vehicle Fires and Fire and Arson Investigations. In addition to being active in the Pennsylvania Assoc. of Arson Investigators, he holds certifications with the International Association of Arson Investigators, Pennsylvania State Fire Commissioner and National Board on Fire Professionals. He proudly serves on the board of the Cambria County Emergency Management Agency/ Fire Services.

He was honored to be recognized as the 2017 Fire Investigator of the Year by the Pennsylvania Association of Arson Investigators.

Trooper Richards resides in Johnstown, Pa with his wife Heather, four children Hannah 22, Jacob 17, Sydney 15, Riley 8 and his German Shepard Bane.