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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### **Langley elected Vice Chair of Civilian Police Review Board**

**Durham, NC** - DeWarren K. Langley was elected Vice Chair of the Civilian Police Review Board during its Regular Meeting held in the Conference Room of City Hall on August 24, 2011.

The Board hears appeals of complaints submitted by citizens concerning actions taken by Durham police officers. The Durham Police Department's Professional Standards Division initially investigates these complaints. If a complainant is not satisfied with the outcome of the investigation, he or she may file a request for a hearing with the board.

Langley says, "it is with humility and honor to serve as Vice Chair of the CPRB. Police officers make a tremendous sacrifice to ensure the safety of our community. As a member of this Board, I will continue to fairly and impartially review appeals of complains, listen attentively to the claims of citizens and work with other Board members to write a recommendation to the City Manager in each case based on well-reasoned evaluations of allegations."

As Vice Chair, Langley, in collaboration with the Chair provides leadership to the CPRB with fulfilling its duties, serves in the absence of the Chair, assist with completing an Annual Report to the City Manager and performs other duties as assigned by the Chair.

The board's mandate is to determine whether or not the investigation was conducted in an appropriate manner, specifically, whether the police department abused its discretion in the conduct of the investigation.

Board members are required to complete the Durham Police Department's Citizens Police Academy, sixteen hours in a patrol car ride-along program and a comprehensive training program administered by the Police Attorney's office. Members are compensated at a per meeting rate of \$25, paid semi-annually and receive complimentary parking in a designated City of Durham parking lot for each meeting attended.

DeWarren was first appointed on October 27, 2009 and reappointed on August 29, 2011 by Durham City Manager Thomas Bonfield. Langley's current term expires June 30, 2014.

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## **ABOUT DEWARREN K. LANGLEY**

A native of Durham, North Carolina, Langley holds a Juris Doctor with a Concentration in Civil Rights & Constitutional Law from North Carolina Central University School of Law conferred in May

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2011. In 2007, Langley graduated with a degree in Business Management and Economics and a minor in Leadership Studies from Hampton University. With a strong commitment to helping others, DeWarren is dedicated to being a resource for his community and serves as a mentor for the younger generation. Currently, he serves a Member of NC Advocates for Justice, Young Lawyers Division of the NC Bar Association, the Board of Directors for Calvary Ministries of the Westend Community, Inc., and Kids Voting Durham Advisory Board. Langley is also serves as the Founder & Executive Director of the Charles H. Houston Foundation, Chairman of the Citizens Advisory Committee for the City of Durham, Vice Chair of the Civilian Police Review Board for the City of Durham, Chairman of the Board of Directors for Partners for Youth, Chairman of the Board of Directors for Standing Tall for Success, Inc., At-large representative on the Criminal Justice Partnership Advisory Board, and Secretary of the Durham Community MLK Steering Committee. Additionally, he also serves as a mentor for a number of high school and undergraduate students. DeWarren worships as a member of First Calvary Baptist Church. For more information, please visit, [www.dewarrenklangle.com](http://www.dewarrenklangle.com).

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