



Matthew Romano Irishman of the Year



Matt began his career in the department in 2007, where he was assigned to the North Infirmary Command. He attended the Instructor Development Course two years later and was transferred to the George R. Vierno Center.

In 2010, he was elected as Union Delegate after becoming a Firearms Instructor in November of the same year. He held this position until 2020, when he was elected to the COBA Executive Board as the Bronx Borough Trustee. In his current role, Matt represents RNDC, EMTC, CA/FTU, and the Firearms Review Board members.

Matt has been a proud member of the Emerald Society since 2007, where he has made lifelong friends and memories. In 2013, he joined the NYCD Pipe Band, which he considers an honor. His success can be attributed to the support of his parents, family, and colleagues from COBA, FTU, GRVC, NIC, and the NYCD Pipe Band.

Lastly, Matt expresses his gratitude to his wife, Diana, for her unconditional love towards him and their baby girl, Ada Jean. He extends his thanks to Timothy Cowen and the NYCD Emerald Society for honoring him and wishes everyone and their families the best.