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Michael “Mike” Hebert is the Supervisory CBP Officer for the U.S. Customs and Border Protection’s (CBP) National Jones Act Division of Enforcement (JADE). Due to his vast knowledge of coastwise trade laws, SCBPO Hebert was appointed by senior CBP leadership to create and lead JADE, a national unit with the focused mission of education and enforcement of our nation’s coastwise trade laws. SCBPO Hebert created and has direct oversight of the CBP coastwise trade enforcement strategy.



SCBPO Hebert has over 36 years of federal service, including nine years as an active-duty military veteran, both in the U.S. Army and the Louisiana National Guard. As a member of the Louisiana National Guard Counter Drug Program (CDP), he was assigned to the Terrebonne Parish Sheriff’s Office first, then to the U.S. Customs Service Office of Investigations in Houma, LA.

Mr. Hebert began his career with the U.S. Customs Service in 1998 in the Port of Morgan City. He was a student of Customs Inspector Basic Training Course USCSI-9907, where he was awarded both the Outstanding Performance Award and the Distinguished Student Award. In 2005, Mr. Hebert was promoted to the position of Supervisor, then to Port Director for the CBP Morgan City in 2007. As Port Director, he was responsible for all operational and administrative aspects of the CBP Morgan City, the 2nd busiest vessel arrival port in the nation for CBP during his tenure. In 2010, he was assigned to the BP Oil Spill Incident Command Center in Houma, LA, where he was the lead CBP Official, responsible for coordinating CBP operations nationwide related to the BP Oil Spill. He was also the liaison between USCG and CBP for all “Jones Act” related issues for the oil spill. In 2011 he was awarded the Leadership Award by the Area Port Director of New Orleans. In 2014 Mr. Hebert was selected by senior OFO leadership as the OFO lead to update HB 3100-03, the OFO Vessel Handbook, which was published on July 15, 2015. This handbook serves as the policy & procedure guide for CBPOs working in the maritime environment. Until this update, the handbook had not been updated for 15 years.

Because of his outstanding relationship with internal and external partners, SCBPO Hebert was voted in as the Vice Chairman of the South Louisiana Area Maritime Security Committee in 2015 and also served as the Chairman of the Law Enforcement Sub-Committee.

SCBPO Hebert graduated in 2014 with a Master of Science Degree in Criminal Justice Leadership & Executive Management. Due to his academic achievements, he was inducted into both the Golden Key International Honor Society and Alpha Phi Sigma (Criminal Justice Honor Society). From January 2015 through December 2018, Mr. Hebert served as an Adjunct Instructor at the Nicholls State University, teaching courses on Marine Accident Prevention, Maritime Enforcement & Security, and Disaster Management & Recovery.

Mr. Hebert was honored with two distinguished community awards in the recent past. In 2021, he received the Houma-Thibodaux Diocesan Service Award for St. Gregory Barbarigo Church. In March 2022, he was awarded the James L. Powell Alumni Award, the highest recognition given to a Nicholls State University graduate.