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Washington County Virginia Sheriff's Detective Michael Martin was recently honored by the Virginia State Police at an awards ceremony held on May 13, 2009, in Richmond, Virginia, for his work in fraud investigations.

Detective Martin was honored for his investigative work on a case involving an arson that occurred in Washington County in 2008. A suspect was developed and after an intensive investigation, charges of arson were filed against an individual who ultimately pled guilty to the arson of a residence in Washington County.

"Detective Martin conducted an outstanding investigation on this case and is certainly deserving of this award," stated Sheriff Newman. Detective Martin also won this prestigious award in 2005.

Pictured with Detective Martin is Washington County Sheriff Fred Newman.

