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# FRANK MURPHY KICKS OFF THE NEW YEAR WITH A BANG

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**O**n the second of January, 2024, Frank Murphy of Belton, South Carolina, begins a new career. The American Kennel Club has named the ever popular Professional Handler as their newest Executive Field Representative.

With over forty years of experience, Frank has handled top-winning canines in most every Group, including Sporting, Hound, Working, Terrier, Non-Sporting, and Herding. Breeds he has shown to Number One rankings include German Wirehaired Pointers, Pembroke Welsh Corgis, Rhodesian Ridgebacks, Cardigan Welsh Corgis, Beagles, Chinese Shar-Peis, and Siberian Huskies.

For the past six years, Murphy has served as the AKC Regional Handler Program Representative. The AKC Registered Handler of the Year honor was awarded to Frank Murphy twice!

Sandy D'Andrea, AKC Field Director of Conformation, shared the following statements when the AKC announced Murphy's new career: "Frank brings a broad background as a breeder and exhibitor of Rhodesian Ridgebacks, expertise as an All-Breed Professional Handler, extensive hands-on experience in AKC events as an AKC Registered Handler Program member since its inception, and an All-Breed club member, all of which will be valuable assets as an Executive Field Representative. The American Kennel Club is proud to welcome him to the staff."

As my friend, world-renowned shooting coach Dan Schindler, would say, it is time for Frank and Deb Murphy to "RESET, RECOVER, AND RELOAD to get ready for the New Year." CONGRATULATIONS, FRANK!!! ■



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