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Department of Corrections appoints Kempker the Chief State Supervisor for Probation and Parole

Jefferson City, Mo. — The Missouri Department of Corrections recently announced that Julie Kempker has been appointed the Chief State Supervisor for the Board of Probation and Parole.

Kempker has served more than 25 years with the department. Prior to her appointment to Chief State Supervisor, Kempker served as Assistant Division Director for the Division of Probation and Parole beginning in July 2010.

“Julie has more than a quarter century of a variety of leadership experience to bring to this position,” said Ellis McSwain, chairman of the Division of Probation and Parole. “This experience, coupled with her enthusiasm, creativity and her spot-on global vision, which mirrors the Chair’s, will play a significant part in the direction of the organization as we continue to look to enhance public safety by increasing client success and reducing recidivism so our clients can become productive citizens in their communities.

She has also held positions in all four divisions of the department, including Re-entry Director, Women's Program Manager, Field Services Coordinator, District Administrator, Unit Supervisor, Probation and Parole Officer, and Administrative Assistant.

Her extensive and diverse experience within the Division of Probation and Parole and throughout the department has well prepared her to fulfill this important role for our agency.

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