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## Thomas G. Bruton Becomes Clerk of Court in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

CHICAGO – Effective January 1, 2012, Thomas G. Bruton began serving as the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. He replaced Michael W. Dobbins who retired last year. Mr. Bruton is the fourteenth person to hold the position in the court's 192-year history.

Chief Judge Holderman commented, "We are delighted to have the services of Tom Bruton to assist the court in advancing the cause of justice."

Mr. Bruton will be responsible for overseeing the administration and operation of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, the third largest federal district court in the country.

Before assuming his duties as Clerk, Mr. Bruton previously served as the Space & Procurement Administrator of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.