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Marcus Holmes sworn-in as new Chief U.S. Probation Officer for the Northern District of Illinois

Chicago, Ill. - Today District Judge Rebecca R. Pallmeyer swore-in Marcus Holmes as the new Chief U.S. Probation Officer for the Northern District of Illinois.

"Our Court welcomes Chief Holmes to Northern District of Illinois. We are confident that his experience and outstanding credentials will be an asset in leading the U.S. Probation Office for our district," said Chief Judge Rubén Castillo.

Chief Officer Holmes has served the United States Probation Service for more than twenty years, most recently as the Deputy Chief Probation Officer in the Western District of Kentucky. Before his work in Kentucky, Chief Holmes also held positions in the U.S. Probation Office in the Western District of North Carolina and has facilitated workshops around the country for the Federal Judicial Center. Holmes earned his Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice/Political Science from North Carolina Central University and his Master of Science in Criminal Justice from the University of North Carolina-Charlotte.

Outgoing-Chief Probation Officer for the Northern District of Illinois Jeanne Walsh will retire on December 31, 2018, after a 30-year career with the Probation Office. She will work alongside Chief Holmes to ensure a smooth transition.

"I want to commend outgoing-Chief Jeanne Walsh on her 30 years of dedicated service to the Northern District of Illinois' Probation Office. Jeanne has been a driving force behind several key initiatives. We are grateful for Jeanne's excellent leadership in supporting the Court's Second C.H.A.N.C.E. Re-entry program and in the relocation of the U.S. Probation to a more modern and efficient workspace in the Kluczynski Building," added Chief Judge Castillo.



Above: Marcus Holmes is sworn-in as Chief U.S. Probation Officer for the Northern District of Illinois. Below: Judge Rebecca R. Pallmeyer congratulates Chief U.S. Probation Officer Holmes after administering the oath of office.

