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District Court honors graduates of James B. Moran Second C.H.A.N.C.E. Reentry Program

CHICAGO, III. – The U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois James B. Moran Second C.H.A.N.C.E. (Court Help and Assistance Network for Community Entry) Reentry Program honored 10 individuals who have successfully completed the program in a graduation ceremony. Senator Dick Durbin offered congratulatory remarks to the graduates. Regina Hernandez of Legal Aid Chicago was the guest speaker.

"We are so pleased to celebrate this class of Second C.H.A.N.C.E. graduates. Because of their hard work and the support of the court's dedicated Second C.H.A.N.C.E. team, this group of graduates made outstanding progress toward becoming contributing, law-abiding members of their families and community," said Chief Judge Rebecca R. Pallmeyer.

The James B. Moran Second C.H.A.N.C.E. Reentry Program, named after the late U.S. District Judge James B. Moran, is designed to help former inmates reintegrate into the community and live lawabiding lives after they are released from prison. Second C.H.A.N.C.E. offers individuals on federal supervision a program of intensive supervision and frequent meetings with a team of judges, probation officers, Assistant U.S. Attorneys, Federal Defenders, treatment providers, and U.S. Marshals. Individuals who successfully complete the Second C.H.A.N.C.E. Program are rewarded with a reduction of federal supervision.

U.S. District Judge Sharon Johnson Coleman, U.S. District Judge Sara L. Ellis, U.S. Magistrate Judge Susan E. Cox, and U.S. Magistrate Judge M. David Weisman all serve on the Second C.H.A.N.C.E. team.