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Ken North Named as Director of the Mississippi Department of Corrections' Internal Audit Division

Jackson – Mississippi Department of Corrections (MDOC) Commissioner Christopher Epps has announced the appointment of Ken North as Director of the state corrections system's Internal Audit Division (IAD).

North, a native of Gulfport, is a 1987 graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi and holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice. He is a 17-year veteran in the criminal justice field and has been affiliated with MDOC's IAD for over six years. For the past year and a half North served as interim director of IAD.

"The Mississippi Department of Corrections is extremely fortunate to have a person with Director North's knowledge and understanding of the criminal justice system to head our Internal Audit Division," said Commissioner Christopher Epps. "His wealth of experience particularly with regard to internal intelligence gathering will provide invaluable assistance to MDOC."

IAD is the internal investigative arm of the Mississippi Department of Corrections. Its primary role is to conduct administrative and criminal investigations in the interest of public safety.

"I am deeply honored to have been selected to head the Internal Audit Division," said Director North. "I look forward with great anticipation to meeting the many challenges in this new position."