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NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT NAMES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Chief Judge Jay W. Ukena is pleased to announce that Todd A. Schroeder has accepted the position of Executive Director of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. Schroeder will assume his role on November 27.

"When searching for a new Executive Director, we sought not only someone with experience and strong managerial skills, but also a leader with a comprehensive understanding of the justice system, the importance of fostering and maintaining the confidence of those we serve, and working with our justice partners. Mr. Schroeder certainly fits the bill in every respect. All of us here at the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit are excited about Todd joining us and look forward to a seamless transition," said Chief Judge Jay W. Ukena.

Mr. Schroeder comes with extensive experience as a court management professional at both the state and local levels. Most recently, Schroeder served five years as Assistant Director of the Court Services Division of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts. His 35-year career as a court professional began at the Winnebago County Department of Court Services where he served in juvenile and adult probation, pre-trial services and helped establish the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit's (Winnebago and Boone Counties) problem-solving courts. He also held administrative positions at the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit prior to serving as its Trial Court Administrator. Mr. Schroeder has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from Illinois State University and is a member of the National Association for Court Management.

"I am grateful and excited for the opportunity to become the Executive Director of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. I very much look forward to serving the outstanding judiciary, professional court staff and the citizens of Lake County in this new role," said Mr. Schroeder.

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