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New Trial Court Administrator Named for Idaho's Third Judicial District

Benita Miller, a longtime employee of Idaho's state court system, has been selected as trial court administrator for the Third Judicial District effective immediately.

A trial court administrator helps manage court operations and implement court policies and programs across each one of Idaho's seven judicial districts. The Third Judicial District covers Adams, Canyon, Gem, Owyhee, Payette and Washington counties.

Miller is very familiar with the Third District, where she served as acting trial court administrator for roughly the past year. Prior to that, she spent 16 years as a deputy trial court administrator within the district, a decade as the executive director of the district's Court Appointed Special Advocate program and for many years at different prosecutors' offices with a focus on victim services.

"The mission of our independent, impartial courts has long been important to me, and I am honored to continue to serve the residents of southwest Idaho," Miller said.

Administrative District Judge Davis VanderVelde and Administrative Director of Courts Sara Omundson welcomed Miller to her new role.

"Benita is hardworking, diligent and humble about her impact on our courts. I am excited to have her continuing to advance a fair, accessible court system here in the Third District," Judge VanderVelde said.

"Most people are unaware of the work required to keep courts going every day and to deliver on those constitutional rights for the public," Omundson said. "Benita's dedication will continue to benefit the courts in her district, and I'm grateful to have her there."

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