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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPOINTS CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER *Probation Department's New Leader Brings Almost 30 Years of Experience to Position*

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors Ron Roberts announced today the appointment of Mack Jenkins as the County's Chief Probation Officer.

"After an extensive search, we are confident Mack Jenkins has the qualifications and experience needed to lead the Probation Department into the future," said Chairman Roberts.

The appointment was made by the Board of Supervisors and confirmed by the Superior Court. Jenkins will oversee a department of more than 1,300 staff members with a budget of more than \$165 million.

He comes from neighboring Orange County, where he dedicated almost 30 years to the Orange County Probation Department in Anaheim and currently serves as the Director of Juvenile Field Services.

Previously, Jenkins managed the Adult Field Services and Adult Court Services Divisions for the Orange County Probation Department. In addition, he designed an intensive supervision program for sex offenders and oversaw the development of a special supervision program for domestic violence offenders.

Jenkins is a nationally known criminal justice consultant and instructor with expertise in the design and operation of Drug Court programs and has worked extensively with substance abuse offenders.

He will begin his new position with the County of San Diego next month.

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