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### **Michael Roe Named Branch Manager at Western Regional Training Center**

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (Dec. 5, 2019)** – Kentucky Department of Corrections Training Director Bridget Gilliland today announced the hiring of Michael Roe as branch manager at the Western Regional Training Center.

“Mike Roe has a plethora of experience in many areas,” said Gilliland. “His experience as a training instructor will be a great asset to the DOC in his role as branch manager.”

Roe served with the Lexington Police Department for 24 years, from 1974 until 1997, at which time he retired as a sergeant. He worked in Patrol, Criminal Investigations, the DEA Drug Task Force, and developed the Repeat Offender Prosecution Enhancement (ROPE) program in conjunction with Commonwealth Attorney Ray Larson.

In 2005, Roe began a 14-year career with the Department of Criminal Justice Training (DOCJT) as a certified vulnerability assessor for the Kentucky Community Preparedness Program. The next year he was named executive staff advisor for that program. In 2007, he became a law enforcement training instructor I in the Advanced Individual Training Branch where he taught a range of topics including drug investigations, covert operations, informant handling, interview and interrogation techniques, courtroom testimony, and investigative skills for patrol.

In 2009, he became a law enforcement training instructor II assigned to the Basic Training Branch, DUI Enforcement Section and taught courses related to standardized field sobriety testing, breath test operation, DUI-drugs, and homeland security.

In 2015, he became a law enforcement training instructor III assigned to the Instructional Design Section where he was responsible for research, development, coordination, and instruction of the instructor development, field instructor, and leading the training unit courses. He was promoted to section supervisor in 2017 and then to branch manager in 2018 before retiring from DOCJT in June 2019.

Roe earned a bachelor’s degree in police administration from Eastern Kentucky University (EKU) and a Master of Science degree in criminal justice from the University of Cincinnati. He has also served as an adjunct professor at EKU since 2015.

**Editor’s note: photo attached**

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