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### **Avery Sweat Promoted to District 16 Assistant Supervisor**

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (Sept. 2, 2020)** – Kentucky Department of Corrections Director of Probation and Parole Erica Hargis announced today the promotion of Avery Sweat to assistant district supervisor in District 16. District 16 covers northeastern Jefferson County.

“Avery Sweat brings a varied knowledge of different aspects of Probation and Parole to this role,” said Hargis. “He has been involved in many leadership training opportunities over the last few years and has applied these skills to become the leader he is today. Sweat is a team player and brings a positive attitude to the workplace. He is a welcome addition not only to the team of District 16, but to the overall leadership of the division as well. I look forward to seeing what the future holds for this talented young man.”

Sweat began his career as a probation and parole officer with the Department of Corrections in 2015 in District 16. He has supervised a variety of caseloads including CTS Russell, parole/mandatory reentry supervision, as well as felony and misdemeanor probation. He has assisted the district as a home incarceration program officer and is currently a field training officer. In May of this year, Sweat was special detailed to an assistant supervisor position in another district. He demonstrated an ability to manage a highly stressful position with a positive attitude while maintaining a high level of efficiency and accuracy in dealing with the new parole process.

Sweat served as part of the 2017 ACA Compliance Team. He has participated in numerous activities and volunteer opportunities to improve morale and build strong relationships, within not only the agency but also the community.

Sweat holds a bachelor’s degree in government with a minor in history from Morehead State University. In addition to receiving his Certificate of Supervisory Essentials, Sweat is also a 2019 graduate of the Governor’s Minority Management Training Program. He is currently a participant in the Commissioner’s Executive Leadership Program.

**Editor’s note: photo attached**

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