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Christi Sorrell Promoted to Assistant Director in Division of Reentry Services

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Nov. 23, 2020) – Kentucky Department of Corrections Division of Reentry Services Director Kristin Porter announced today the promotion of Christi Sorrell to assistant director of the division. Since August 2018, Sorrell has served as the administrative branch manager of the eastern region for the division.

"Christi Sorrell's experience in the department as a whole, and specifically in the Division of Reentry Services, is a valuable asset to the division," said Porter. "Her work ethic is remarkable and her passion for reentry exudes in everything she does. I am honored to have her assume the role of assistant director."

Sorrell began her career in Tennessee in January 2006 as a probation and parole officer. In 2008, Sorrell joined the Kentucky Department of Corrections as a probation and parole officer in District 9. In 2011, she transferred to the District 8 office in Irvine. While serving as an officer Sorrell performed a variety of duties, including regular caseload supervision, class D supervision, home incarceration program oversight, and writing presentence investigation reports. She was also the designated reentry liaison for District 8.

In May 2017, Sorrell promoted to the Reentry Branch as a program administrator. In this role, Sorrell was able to work alongside a broad range of Corrections professionals and community partners. Sorrell worked with Eastern Kentucky Correctional Complex and Little Sandy Correctional Complex to make reentry simulations and release expos a regular practice under the newly formed Division of Reentry Services.

Sorrell is a trained facilitator of Moral Reconation Therapy (MRT), Thinking for a Change, 24/7 Dads, and PORTAL New Directions. In July 2017, Sorrell became a certified trainer in MRT. She has trained not only DOC staff in how to facilitate the MRT program, but county jail staff and community partners as well.

A 2005 graduate of Eastern Kentucky University, Sorrell earned her bachelor's degree in criminal justice. She received a Deputy Commissioner's Award in 2018 and is a graduate of the 2018-2019 Commissioner's Executive Leadership Program.

Editor's note: photo attached