

# United States District Court

## District of Nebraska

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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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The judges of Nebraska's federal district court announced today that Kathleen ("Kit") Lemon has been selected to serve as the District's next Chief Probation Officer. She will lead the District's Office of Probation and Pretrial Services upon the retirement of the District's current Chief Probation Officer, Mary Lee Ranheim, at the end of June.

Lemon is an alumna of the University of Nebraska at Omaha, where she attained her undergraduate degree in Psychology and her masters degree in Criminal Justice. She has 26 years of experience in state and federal probation systems, most recently serving as the Deputy Chief of the office she soon will head. Lemon's innovative use of technology and evidence-based practices have led her to be nationally recognized as a mentor for others in her field.

The Office of Probation and Pretrial Services is composed of 65 officers and support staff working throughout Nebraska to supervise and rehabilitate federal defendants on pretrial release, probation, and post-incarceration release. The officers also assist judges through the preparation of presentence investigation reports.

The district court's Chief Judge, Laurie Smith Camp, said, "Kit was selected from a very strong field of candidates. The judges of our district are confident that Kit will continue the tradition of excellence in the Probation and Pretrial Services Office. We are also grateful to Mary Lee Ranheim for her outstanding service to the Court over the last 22 years, including the last seven as Chief."

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