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The judges of the U.S. District Court for the District of Nebraska announced today that Douglas (“Doug”) Steensma has been selected to serve as the district’s next Chief Probation Officer. He will lead the district’s Office of Probation and Pretrial Services upon the retirement of the district’s current Chief Probation Officer, Kathleen (“Kit”) Lemon, at the end of June, 2022.

Steensma is an alumnus of the University of Nebraska at Omaha, where he earned his undergraduate degree in Criminal Justice; and Bellevue University, where he earned his master’s degree in Justice Administration and Crime Management. He has 31 years of experience in state and federal probation systems, most recently serving as the Deputy Chief of the office he soon will lead.

The Office of Probation and Pretrial Services is composed of 55 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, Robert F. Rossiter, Jr., said, “Doug’s background and experience make him abundantly qualified and uniquely prepared to lead our Probation and Pretrial Services Office. The judges of our district are confident that Doug will continue the tradition of excellence in the Probation and Pretrial Services Office which has made our district so well-respected nationally. We are also grateful to Kit Lemon for her outstanding leadership and service to the Court over the last 21 years.”

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