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Governor Bill Richardson Names Erma Sedillo to Serve as Acting Director of Juvenile Parole Board

Several Decades of Criminal Justice Experience

SANTA FE- Governor Bill Richardson today named Erma Sedillo as Acting Director of the Juvenile Parole board to serve until a new Director is selected. Sedillo is currently the Deputy Secretary of Operations for the Corrections Department and her responsibilities include overseeing all programs in the prisons in the state such as medical, mental health, education, faith based services, victim services, addictions services and family services.

“Erma Sedillo is the right person for this job as a 25 year veteran of state government with her extensive experience working in probation and parole” said Governor Richardson. “We’re fortunate to have a person of her caliber who can step in and take over this position.”

Along with serving as the Deputy Secretary of Corrections, Sedillo’s state government experience includes Region IV Manager, Community corrections Administrator and Probation Parole Officer for the Corrections Department’s Probation and Parole Division.

Sedillo also has experience working in the judicial system and served as the project manager for the administrative office of the courts. There she provided oversight for adult, juvenile and DWI drug courts throughout the state and was the staff liaison to the New Mexico Association of Drug Court Professionals.

Sedillo is the current Treasurer of the New Mexico Association of Drug Court Professionals. She is also a member of the Drug Court Advisory Committee, a position appointed by the New Mexico Supreme Court, and a member of the Behavioral Health Purchasing Collaborative. She previously served as the president of the New Mexico Women in Correction and was a member of the Juvenile Crime Enforcement Council and the Violence Against Women’s Act Planning and Implementation Team.

“Parole Boards play an important role in the rehabilitation process. The juvenile parole board not only expects accountability, but they strive to see that the family unit is preserved while also ensuring public safety,” Sedillo said. “I believe my 25 years of experience in the criminal justice arena will provide me the foundation to assist the juvenile parole board. I am honored to have been selected by the Governor to serve in this capacity.”

Governor Richardson hopes to appoint a permanent Director of the Juvenile Parole Board by the first of the year.

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