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MDOC Announces Promotions of Veteran Employees

Jackson – Mississippi Department of Corrections (MDOC) Commissioner Christopher B. Epps has announced the promotion of two veteran correction employees to key positions with the agency. Associate Warden Earl Jackson has been promoted to the position of warden of Area III at the Mississippi State Penitentiary (MSP) in Parchman, Miss., and Commander Michael White to the position of deputy warden of Area IA at the Central Mississippi Correctional Facility (CMCF) in Pearl, Miss.

Jackson, a native of Cleveland, is a 1983 graduate of Delta State University. Warden Jackson began his correctional career as a case manager in 1983. He was promoted to case manager supervisor in 1988. In March 1992, Jackson served as acting warden of Area II and was later assigned to serve as acting director of Offender Services. Jackson was appointed to the position of associate warden of Area IV in 1998, a position he held before his appointment to the position of warden of Area III at MSP.

Michael White, 37 of Jackson, began working for MDOC in 1989 as a correctional officer trainee at CMCF after graduating from Jackson State University with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. In 1994, White was promoted to sergeant. During the course of the next six years, White advanced to the rank of commander, a position he held before being appointed to deputy warden.

"The Mississippi Department of Corrections is extremely fortunate to be able to draw from within its ranks the quality leadership of Earl Jackson and Michael White to head these responsible posts," said Epps. "They are true administrators. Their exemplary work ethic and invaluable correctional experience will further enhance our professional operation."