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J.S. Hermanson, Presiding Judge

## AMADOR SUPERIOR COURT ANNOUNCES NEW COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO)

The Amador County Superior Court Judges have announced the appointment of Rob Klotz to the position of Court Executive Officer and Jury Commissioner, succeeding current Court Executive Officer Barbara Cockerham, who retires on May 13, 2016, after serving more than 34 years with the California Trial Courts.

Mr. Klotz, who will be joining the Court on Monday, March 21, 2016, worked in the Yuba County Superior Court for five years as an Account Manager in the Collections Department. In 2014, he went to Humboldt County Superior Court as a Court Manager. During his tenure in Humboldt, Mr. Klotz managed the daily operations which consisted of overseeing the courtroom clerks and legal clerk support staff in the civil, small claims, probate, family, juvenile, traffic, and criminal divisions.

Klotz graduated from California State University, Sacramento in 1995 after obtaining a Bachelor of Arts degree in Government. In June, he will complete the Graduate Program in Judicial Administration from California State University, Sacramento.

After obtaining his Bachelor's degree, Mr. Klotz was employed for 14 years in the retail management industry. He has also been a small business owner for many years. In 2008, he was elected to the city council in the small town of Live Oak, California.

Ms. Cockerham will work with Mr. Klotz through April 9<sup>th</sup> to ensure a smooth transition.

"We are grateful for Ms. Cockerham's dedication and hard work, especially during one of the most difficult fiscal crisis we and the judicial branch have ever faced". "We wish her all the best in her retirement", Judge Hermanson said.