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CHIEF JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
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PRESS RELEASE

ADRIENNE SIMPSON-BROWN APPOINTED CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER

Chief U.S. District Judge Pamela L. Reeves announced the appointment today of Adrienne Simpson-Brown of Knoxville, Tennessee as Chief U.S. Probation Officer of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee, effective December 23, 2019.

Chief Judge Reeves pointed out that “after a nation-wide search and interview process, the Eastern District was fortunate to find the perfect candidate right here in our own probation office. The judges of the Eastern District welcome Ms. Simpson-Brown to her new position and look forward to continuing the successful work of our probation office with her.”

Ms. Simpson-Brown succeeds Tony Anderson, who has served as the Chief U.S. Probation Officer for the district since September, 2006.

Ms. Simpson-Brown has been with the U.S. Probation Office for the Eastern District of Tennessee since 1993. The Eastern District of Tennessee covers 41 counties in this region of the state. The court has offices in Knoxville, Chattanooga, and Greeneville.

Ms. Simpson-Brown holds both a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice and a Masters of Science in Criminal Justice, with honors, from the University of Alabama. From 1992 to 1993, Ms. Simpson-Brown served as a U.S. Pretrial Services Contractor for the U.S. Probation Office for the Northern District of Alabama. In 1993, Ms. Simpson-Brown began serving as a U.S. Probation Officer for the Eastern District of Tennessee, where she has since served in various supervisory capacities, including serving as Deputy Chief U.S. Probation Officer since April 2018.

Ms. Simpson-Brown is a member of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. where she serves in various leadership and service capacities. Ms. Simpson-Brown also currently serves on the Knoxville Utility Board of Commissioners after appointment by the Mayor of Knoxville and confirmation by City Council in January 2018.

Ms. Simpson-Brown is married to Charles A. Brown, a Criminal Investigator for the Federal Defender Services of East Tennessee. They have two children.