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**JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSIONER HIRES NEW
AGENCY TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR**

(ATLANTA - GA) As Commissioner Avery D. Niles continues his executive level restructuring at the Department of Juvenile Justice, he is proud to announce the latest hire for his Central Office Leadership Team. At the September DJJ Board Meeting, Commissioner Niles introduced information system expert George Wang as DJJ's new Technology Director.

Director George Wang has a 20-year technical background specializing in traditional and web-based information systems; global IT strategy & execution; supply chain, warehousing and distribution planning; and infrastructure management.

"We will call upon Director Wang to adapt all these areas of his experience and proficiency to help link and serve the needs of more than one hundred DJJ court service offices and secure facilities strategically located throughout the state of Georgia," said Commissioner Niles.

"Director Wang has a remarkable track record for streamlining operations, increasing productivity while reducing costs, and successfully re-engineering decentralized IT platforms into centralized IT systems. We're not at all surprised that Director Wang is also multi-lingual, communicating comfortably in English and Chinese or Computer Sciences," the Commissioner said.

Among his qualifications, Director Wang is a Certified E-Business Strategist and a Certified Microsoft Database Administrator, System Engineer, and System Administrator. His skill set also includes training as an IBM certified IT Disaster Recovery Planner.

"Our new I-T Director brings the kind of extensive leadership and project management skills this agency needs for future agency development and expansion planning, as well as emergency contingency preparation for what can be a high-pressure juvenile corrections environment," said Commissioner Niles.

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Mr. Wang has Master's Degrees from Marquette University in Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences and in Physics. He also holds a Bachelor's Degree in Applied Physics with a Minor in Business Information Systems from Shanghai Jiao Tong University in Shanghai, China.

Before coming to DJJ, Mr. Wang served as Chief Technology Officer for several international and American-based companies from Illinois to North Carolina and Atlanta, where he led IT turnaround projects, built worldwide infrastructures and business systems, and supervised strategic planning, budgeting, staffing and project management. Mr. Wang now lives in the Atlanta area.

Commissioner Niles said, "We're building an entire executive team of professionals like Director Wang who are capable of helping us move this agency forward. We need strong leadership to make our department strategies and innovative planning succeed. Georgia's new Juvenile Justice Reform Law goes into effect in just a few months. We're making preparations every day to harness the momentum of the new law," said Niles.

More than 50,000 youths are served each year by DJJ Staff, services, programs, and facilities. This includes youth placed on probation, sentenced to short-term incarceration, or committed into custody by the Juvenile Courts. DJJ has a staff of 4,200 dedicated employees managing supervision, detention, and a wide range of treatment and educational services for youths referred by the Juvenile Courts.

The Department of Juvenile Justice offers careers in Education, Administration, Behavioral Health and Health Care, Human Resource Management and Development, Law Enforcement, Food Service, Housekeeping, and Plant Management and Maintenance.

For more information about career descriptions at the Department of Juvenile Justice join us on the web at <http://www.djj.state.ga.us/Careers/DJJEmploy.aspx> . For current listings of job openings at DJJ go to <http://www.djjnewsandviews.org/djjcareers/brochures.html> .

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