

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



**ITEM: 2.3  
(ID # 21806)**

**MEETING DATE:**  
Tuesday, May 02, 2023

**FROM :** EXECUTIVE OFFICE:

**SUBJECT:** EXECUTIVE OFFICE: Appointment of the Chief Probation Officer. All Districts. [\$0].

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the appointment and salary of Christopher Wright as the Chief Probation Officer, effective May 2, 2023

**ACTION: Consent**

Juan C. Perez, Chief Operating Officer

4/27/2023

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Washington, seconded by Supervisor Perez and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Gutierrez  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Date: May 2, 2023  
xc: E.O., COBzM

Kimberly A. Rector  
Clerk of the Board

By:   
Deputy

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**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary**

The Superior Court and the County worked cooperatively to find a permanent Chief Probation Officer. The County publicly announced the recruitment for the position and conducted a review of all prospective candidates in accordance with the requirements and criteria identified in the public announcement of the open position. Pursuant to a MOU between the Court and the County, a Selection Committee comprised of two judges, two members of the Board of Supervisors, and the chief executive officers of the Court and the County was formed to conduct oral interviews of the qualified candidates. After careful review and consideration of the applications and interviews, the committee found that Christopher Wright was the most qualified applicant for the position, meeting and/or exceeded the announced requirements and criteria for the position.

Pursuant to law, the Court submitted Christopher Wright's name to the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission (JJJPC) for nomination. On April 13, 2023, the JJJPC met and formally nominated Christopher Wright for the position of Chief Probation Officer and submitted that nomination to Presiding Judge Judith Clark.

On April 20, 2023, Presiding Judge Judith Clark appointed Christopher Wright to serve as the Chief Probation Officer of Riverside County.

It is recommended Christopher Wright be approved as the Chief Probation Officer with an annual salary of \$244,339.64.

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

The Probation Department is an essential element of the criminal justice system and has served as a valuable partner on behalf of the constituents of Riverside County. The community benefits from an experienced leader serving as the Chief Probation Officer.

**Additional Fiscal Information**

N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Court Order: Appointment of Christopher Wright as Chief Probation Officer of Riverside County

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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

Order No. 2023-13  
APPOINTMENT OF CHRISTOPHER  
WRIGHT AS CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER  
FOR RIVERSIDE COUNTY

The Court finds as follows:

On or about September 20, 2022, Ron Miller announced his retirement and tendered his resignation as Chief Probation Officer for Riverside County, effective April 19, 2023.

The Court and County worked cooperatively to find a permanent replacement.

The County publicly announced the recruitment of the position of the Chief Probation Officer and conducted a review of all prospective candidates in accordance with the requirements and criteria identified in the public announcement of the open position.

The Court and the County formed a Selection Committee comprised of judicial officers, county elected officials, and executive leadership staff to conduct oral interviews of the qualified candidates. After careful review and consideration of the applications and interviews, the committee found that Christopher Wright is the most qualified applicant for the position and meets and/or exceeds the announced requirements and criteria for the position.

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The JJDPC met and approved a motion to formally nominate Christopher Wright for the position of Chief Probation Officer.

Based on the foregoing, IT IS ORDERED:

1. Christopher Wright is appointed Chief Probation Officer of the County of Riverside effective forthwith. Christopher Wright will act as the Chief Probation Officer for both adult and juvenile services.
2. Christopher Wright shall assume all of the duties and responsibilities of Chief Probation Officer of Riverside County as prescribed by the relevant job description, statutes, regulations and laws governing said duties and responsibilities.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023

  
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HONORABLE JUDITH C. CLARK  
Presiding Judge  
Superior Court of California,  
County of Riverside