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Nevada Department of Business and Industry announces changes

Carson City, NV--The Department of Business and Industry today announced changes at the Real Estate Division and Division of Insurance effective August 18. Joseph (JD) Decker has been appointed as administrator of the Real Estate Division. He assumes the position held previously by Gail Anderson, who has been named deputy ccommissioner of the Division of Insurance.

Decker has more than 25 years of experience in government, military and private sector leadership and management. He most recently served as deputy commissioner for the Nevada Division of Insurance where he managed compliance and enforcement functions and implemented a strong culture of superior customer service and process improvement. Decker also has served in a variety of risk management and operations positions throughout his career. He is a US Army Special Forces veteran.

Anderson has over 16 years of public and private sector management experience. She was initially appointed as administrator of the Real Estate Division (RED) in 2002 and served in other capacities, including deputy director of the Department of Business and Industry before being reappointed as RED administrator. Previously she served as the education and information officer at RED. Prior to that, she served as an administrator of a private school in Las Vegas. As deputy commissioner at the Division of Insurance, she will oversee the operations of the Las Vegas office.

"I appreciate Gail's years of dedicated service to the Real Estate Division where she utilized her strong relationship building skills and knowledge of legislative affairs to accomplish great things. Her appointment to the Division of Insurance is an excellent opportunity for her to take on a new challenge, and I wish her success." said Business and Industry Director Bruce Breslow. "JD's strong background in management and customer service will be an asset to the Real Estate Division as he works to improve customer service and implement business-friendly process at the Division." Division of Insurance Commissioner Scott Kipper added, "We appreciate the great work JD has done for us and are glad that he will remain a part of the B&I family. We are excited that Gail is joining our team. She brings a great deal of focus, passion for consumer protection, state government experience and business acumen. She will be a superb leader of the Division's Compliance and Enforcement section."

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