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Deputy Executive Director/Chief Retirement Officer Position Filled

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The North Dakota State Retirement and Investment Office (RIO) is pleased to announce that the position of Deputy Executive Director/Chief Retirement Officer has been filled. After extensive candidate recruitment, the agency offered the position of Deputy Executive Director/Chief Retirement Officer to Chad Roberts. Mr. Roberts began in his new role on July 11th, 2022.

Mr. Roberts has more than 25 years of government experience serving in progressively more complex administrative and leadership roles, most recently as the Deputy County Administrator of Polk County, Wisconsin. In this role he served as Chief Financial Officer, Human Resource Director and oversaw Information Technology and other central government services. His duties included budget creation and maintenance, managing all aspects of human resources including benefits administration, and helping to implement the long-term strategic direction of the organization developed by the county Board. Prior to his tenure as a county executive, Mr. Roberts served as agency head for two different law enforcement agencies which capped a long and diverse law enforcement career.

Mr. Roberts received his BS in Accounting from the University of Alabama at Birmingham and is completing his Master's in Accounting from the University of Alabama at Birmingham in October of this year. In addition, he has completed the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command leadership program as well as the National Association of Counties Professional Development Academy for county executives. He served as a board member of the Wisconsin State Sheriff and Deputy Sheriff's Association.

Jan Murtha, Executive Director shared: "Mr. Roberts brings with him a strong background in finance, project management, human resource and change initiatives. RIO will benefit from his experience and perspective as we progress with our Pension Administration Modernization project and develop our talent management program for the agency. We are excited to welcome him to the RIO team."

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