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**KEVYN D. ORR IS APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR U.S. TRUSTEES**

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Kevyn D. Orr has been appointed Director of the Executive Office for United States Trustees (EOUST), Attorney General Janet Reno announced today. Orr has served as Acting Director since February 12, when former EOUST Director Joseph "Jerry" Patchan retired. Orr's appointment as Director took effect yesterday.

The EOUST is the Washington, D.C., office of the United States Trustee Program, a Justice Department component that supervises the administration of bankruptcy cases nationwide.

"I am deeply honored to serve as Director of an office dedicated to guarding the integrity of the bankruptcy system and to ensuring that the rights of all parties to bankruptcy cases are protected," Orr stated.

Orr listed among his top priorities as Director:

- Ensuring that the program is prepared to implement pending bankruptcy reform legislation;
- Continuing to administer the bankruptcy system with declining resources; and
- Preserving and protecting the integrity of the bankruptcy system and increasing the efficiency of payment to creditors.

Orr served from June 1995 to Feb. 11, 2000, as Deputy Director of the EOUST. Before joining the EOUST, he worked for four years at the Resolution Trust Corp. in Washington, D.C., where he was named Assistant General Counsel for Complex Litigation and Bankruptcy in 1994. Prior to that, Orr was a partner in the Miami law firm of Stearns, Weaver, Miller, Wiessler, Alhadeff & Sitterson, and then a litigator for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

Orr obtained his Juris Doctorate from the University of Michigan Law School in 1983, and his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Michigan in 1979.

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