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NCIS ANNOUNCES SAMUEL WORTH AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR

Director Andrew Traver is pleased to announce the appointment of Special Agent Samuel Worth as NCIS deputy director. He replaces Special Agent Mark Ridley, who served as deputy director for more than six years before retiring July 31.

Deputy Director Worth most recently served as the principal executive assistant director for management and administration from October 2011 through July 2016. In this position, he was responsible for the daily oversight and management of NCIS business operations and support functions.

Deputy Director Worth began his career with the former Naval Investigative Service (NIS) in January 1989 at the NIS Resident Agency in Camp Lejeune, N.C. He served in a variety of organizational assignments and mission areas, both within the United States and overseas, including Special Agent Afloat deployed aboard the USS America (CV-66) (1993-1994), desk officer at NCIS Headquarters (1998-2000) and Supervisory Special Agent at NCIS Resident Agency Sigonella, Sicily (2000-2003). As the personal security advisor to the secretary of the Navy in 2003 and 2004, Deputy Director Worth planned and executed all personal protection measures involving the secretary.

In 2004 and 2005, Deputy Director Worth served as the division chief for protective operations, directing protection operations for the secretary of the Navy, the chief of Naval operations, and the commandant of the Marine Corps, as well as high-risk missions in Iraq. In 2005 and through 2006, he served as the deputy assistant director for protective operations. From 2006 to 2009, he served as the Special Agent in Charge of the NCIS Norfolk Field Office.

In 2009, Deputy Director Worth was promoted to Senior Executive Service and served as the executive assistant director for Middle East and Pacific operations until August 2010. In this position, he was responsible for the management and operational direction of seven NCIS field offices, one Security Training Assistance and Assessment Team, and numerous subordinate elements located throughout the northwestern and southwestern United States, Hawaii, the Far East, Southwest Asia, the Middle East, and aboard carrier strike groups and expeditionary strike groups. From August 2010 through September 2011, Deputy Director Worth served as executive assistant director for criminal investigations, responsible for directing NCIS activities to investigate and defeat criminal threats to the Department of the Navy (DON).

Deputy Director Worth attended Norwich University in Northfield, Vermont, and graduated magna cum laude in 1987 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in criminal justice. He completed the Department of Defense Senior Executive APEX Session 38 in 2014, and he is a 2012 graduate of the FBI National Executive Institute, Session XXXV. His awards include the DON Distinguished Civilian Service Award and the DON Meritorious Civilian Service Award.