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New Warden at Stateville Correctional Center

There's a new warden at Stateville Correctional Center. Randy Pfister was appointed to the position Thursday, November 12th by IDOC Acting Director John Baldwin. Pfister has more than 30 years of experience with the Department. He started as a correctional officer at Pontiac Correctional Center in 1981 and moved through the ranks serving as Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain, and Chief of Security.

Pfister has also served as the Assistant Warden of Operations at the Illinois Youth Center in Joliet, Jobs Coach and Acting Manager of Programs at Sheridan Correctional Center, and most recently as Warden at Pontiac Correctional Center. He is no stranger to Stateville, though. Pfister previously served as a Unit Manager and Assistant Warden of Operations at the facility.

"I am proud to be back at Stateville Correctional Center working with a great staff and serving the people of Illinois by protecting public safety," Pfister said. "I look forward to doing a complete review of the facility's operational structure and making adjustments where necessary."

"Warden Pfister is a proven leader," says Acting Director John Baldwin. "I am confident that his diverse background and experience working in maximum security facilities will serve staff and the offender population well."

Pfister will oversee the Stateville maximum and medium security units, as well as the Northern Reception and Classification Center, which is the state's largest intake facility for newly admitted offenders.

Pfister is a native of Pontiac, Illinois.

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