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Bullock Announces State CIO and Reappoints Banking Commissioner

HELENA – Governor Steve Bullock on Thursday announced two appointments to important leadership positions within the Department of Administration.

Ronald Baldwin has been appointed as the state’s Chief Information Officer, replacing former CIO Dick Clark. For the past four years, Baldwin has filled a similar role within the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. He holds a Project Management Professional (PMP) credential and currently is adjunct professor in the project management certificate program at Carroll College. His career includes 30 years as a leader and manager responsible for developing and implementing information technology solutions in both the public and private sectors.

Baldwin graduated from San Diego State University in 1979 with a Bachelor of Science degree, and earned an associate degree in Computer Science from Coleman College, also in San Diego, California, in 1982.

Bullock has also reappointed Melanie Hall of Helena as Montana’s Commissioner of the Division of Banking and Financial Institutions. Hall was initially appointed to that position in January 2011 by former Governor Brian Schweitzer. As Banking Commissioner, Hall supervises a staff of 37 and is responsible for licensing and examining the financial entities that do business in Montana, and overseeing the complaint and enforcement process for consumers of financial services.

Hall earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Eckerd College in St. Petersburg, Florida, and a law degree from Tulane Law School in New Orleans, Louisiana, in 2003. Prior to her appointment as Banking Commissioner, Hall worked as an attorney in private practice in Louisiana.

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