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DJ is Director of Gambling for the Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission (KRGC). His responsibilities involve the day-to-day regulatory oversight of sports wagering, the currently under construction historical horse racing facility, live pari-mutuel racing/wagering and the illegal gaming unit. D.J. has been with the KRGC since 2008, starting in the corporate background/licensing division as an Enforcement Agent. D.J. has served in several positions such as Supervising Enforcement Agent/Regional Security Manager over the corporate background/licensing division, Director of Licensing and Sports Wagering Divisions and was most recently promoted to Director of

Gambling. The KRGC is headquartered in Topeka, KS and is the agency tasked with regulatory oversight of the state's 4 state owned casinos, sports wagering and pari-mutuel racing/wagering. There are currently 50+ sworn law enforcement officers and 20+ civilian team members employed by the KRGC.

D.J. has spent his entire 30-year career in law enforcement, working in corrections, patrol and patrol supervision with the Lyon County Sheriff's Office, before moving on to state service with the KRGC.