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The Honorable Lavenski R. Smith, Chief Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit announces the appointment of Ms. Lisa G. Peters to a four year term as the Federal Public Defender for the Eastern District of Arkansas. The Federal Public Defender Office is located in Little Rock, Arkansas. Ms. Peters succeeds Ms. Jenniffer Horan who has served since the office's inception in 1994. Ms. Peters has been a member of the Federal Public Defender Office since its doors opened for service to the public on June 30, 1995. The office provides legal representation to persons charged with federal criminal offenses. It has a staff of twelve attorneys and twenty support personnel. Ms. Peters is a graduate of Fisk University and the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law.