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Arapahoe County Commissioners appoint Matt Crane as Clerk and Recorder

Commissioners select former Deputy of Elections to serve remainder of term in seat vacated by Nancy A. Doty

LITTLETON, CO – The Arapahoe County Board of County Commissioners today appointed Matt Crane as Clerk and Recorder to serve a term that expires Jan. 15, 2015.

Crane will fill the seat vacated by Nancy A. Doty, who is serving her first term as Commissioner representing District 1. He was appointed by a majority vote of the Board at a public hearing this morning and sworn into office by 18th Judicial District Chief Judge William Sylvester at a ceremony this afternoon.

Crane brings 12 years of elections experience and technical expertise to the position. He has served as Arapahoe County's Deputy of Elections since August 2012, and was previously Operations/Special Projects Manager for the Clerk and Recorder's Office since 2007.

"It has been my pleasure to serve the citizens as an employee of Arapahoe County for the past five years and I am deeply honored to be selected to represent our community as Clerk and Recorder," said Crane. "During my tenure, the Clerk and Recorder's Office has been an example of efficiency and superior customer service. Working with the excellent staff of the Office, I will strive to uphold that model through innovation, hard work and fiscal discipline."

Before joining Arapahoe County, Crane served as Operations Manager at the City and County of Denver's Elections Division for two years. He previously served as Elections Subject Matter Expert for Wyant Data Systems, where he helped test and provide feedback on a Statewide Voter Registration System. He also worked for the Colorado Department of State for three years, where he provided guidance to counties on compliance with elections legislation, voter registration systems and ballot processes.

As Clerk and Recorder, Crane has pledged to work toward decreasing wait times at voting locations, improving the provisional ballot process and establishing a continuing education program for election judges. He plans to explore installing self-service computer kiosks for motor vehicle titling and registration services, and cross-training employees in the Recording Division to improve efficiencies for customers.

Crane holds a Bachelors of Arts in Political Science and History from Metropolitan State College of Denver and is certified as a Colorado Elections Administrator through the State of Colorado. He also is a member of the International Association of Clerks, Recorders, Election Officials and Treasurers, and of the Election Center, through which he will be certified in 2013 as a Certified Election & Voter Registration Administrator.

The Board of County Commissioners filled the vacancy of the Clerk and Recorder in accordance with provisions of the Colorado Revised Statutes and Article XIV of the Colorado Constitution.

To learn more about the Clerk and Recorder's Office, please call 303-795-4200 or visit www.arapahogov.com.

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