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**MITCHELL R. ELFERS APPOINTED CLERK OF THE**  
**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO**

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. - The United States District Court for the District of New Mexico announced the appointment of Mitchell R. Elfers as the District's Clerk of Court effective February 4, 2019. The appointment is located in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Mitch Elfers began his career with the District of New Mexico in December 1991, when he was hired as a temporary PC Systems Administrator. He received a permanent appointment in 1993, and then held supervisory and managerial positions in the court's Information Systems division. He was promoted to the second-in-command Chief Deputy Clerk position in 2003. On April 25, 2018 he became Acting Clerk of Court while a search was conducted for a permanent replacement to fill the Clerk of Court vacancy.

During Mitch's tenure with the court he has been instrumental in introducing major technology changes to the court such as electronic filing (first with ACE and then CM/ECF), he was involved in the building of two of the District's courthouses, and he has been there to welcome every current active judge in the District. He served on the national eCJA VPS Working Group, tasked with developing an automated system for the management of the CJA processes of the court. He holds a bachelor's degree in Business Computer Systems from the University of New Mexico. He is married and a father of four.

The basic authority of the Clerk of Court is specified in 28 U.S.C. § 751. As the Court Unit Executive for the District Court, the Clerk of Court is appointed by the judges of the court in which he or she serves and is responsible for managing the administrative activities of the Clerk's Office and overseeing the performance of the statutory duties of the office.

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