

## N E W S L I N E

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### **DWC Administrative Director Destie Overpeck to join the State Bar of California**

Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) Administrative Director Destie Overpeck is leaving the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) to join the State Bar of California at its Office of the General Counsel. Ms. Overpeck's last day with DWC will be February 12, 2016. DWC Chief Counsel George Parisotto will assume the acting administrative director responsibilities.

As administrative director, Ms. Overpeck managed DWC and oversaw the implementation of several reforms to the workers' compensation system, including California's 2012 reform law, SB 863, which increased payments to injured workers while simultaneously reducing costs for employers.

"As a valued member of my executive team, Destie Overpeck guided the Division of Workers' Compensation through the sweeping reforms of SB 863, and leaves behind a strong organizational structure and dedicated team at the division," said DIR Director Christine Baker.

Ms. Overpeck has been with DWC for 16 years. After five years as an attorney with the legal unit, Ms. Overpeck was appointed chief counsel in 2005. She became acting administrative director for two interim periods in 2009 and 2011, and again served as acting administrative director in 2012 and was appointed administrative director by Governor Brown in 2015.

Please join DIR in thanking and congratulating Administrative Director Destie Overpeck.

The Division of Workers' Compensation monitors the administration of workers' compensation claims, and provides administrative and judicial services to assist in resolving disputes that arise in connection with claims for workers' compensation benefits.

DWC's mission is to minimize the adverse impact of work-related injuries on California employees and employers.

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