

New State Fire Marshal Announced

Jim Kenkel, the current State Fire Marshal, will retire from his position on March 12. The Department of Public Safety Commissioner Eugene Meyer announced that Raymond Reynolds will take Fire Marshal Kenkel's place.

Reynolds currently holds the title Special Agent in Charge, and has been with the Department of Public Safety (DPS) since 1996. While at the department, Reynolds has worked as a Fire Prevention Inspector and a Special Agent investigating fires. In conjunction with his employment with the DPS, Reynolds has also worked for five different volunteer fire departments and served 22 years in the National Guard.

State Fire Marshal Kenkel has served as Fire Marshal since 2002, and before that he worked as a fire inspector, investigator, and assistant state fire marshal.