

Adrienne R. Poteat, Acting Director
Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency, CSOSA
Biography

Adrienne R. Poteat was named as the Acting Director for Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency, (CSOSA), in July 2008. In this position, Ms. Poteat oversees a federal agency, which was created by the D.C. Revitalization Act of 1997. CSOSA is responsible for supervising adults on probation, parole and supervised release in the District of Columbia.

Ms. Poteat has 38 years of solid law enforcement experience, in which she began her career with the Hampton Virginia Police Department Intake Division. Shortly thereafter, she worked for the Newport News Juvenile Domestic Relations Court. Both of these experiences were short lived because she elected to return to the District of Columbia, where she briefly taught Junior High School in the Montgomery County School System.

In 1975, Ms. Poteat became the first female Correctional Officer hired in the District of Columbia Department of Corrections. Her career with the DC Department of Corrections quickly expanded from Case Manager, Unit Manager to Deputy Warden of the Maximum Security Facility. During her tenure there, this facility became the first to achieve its national accreditation from the American Correctional Association (ACA). Because of her thorough knowledge of the District's correctional institutions and her ability to apply national correctional standards in her leadership and management responsibilities, she was promoted to Warden of the Correctional Treatment Facility. Ms. Poteat was the Department's principle lead expert on the privatization of the Correctional Treatment Facility to the Corrections Corporation of America in a sale/lease back to the Government of the District of Columbia for a 20-year period. Ms. Poteat also served as Deputy Director for the Department of Corrections and in this position; she had management oversight for eleven correctional institutions and five key correctional program areas.

After a distinguished career with the District of Columbia Department of Corrections, Ms. Poteat left the department and began working with the U.S. Parole Commission as a Hearing Examiner. In 2002, she was selected as Deputy Director for the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency

Ms. Poteat has been the recipient of numerous awards throughout her career. She holds a B.A. degree in Sociology from Hampton Institute. Ms. Poteat currently resides in the District of Columbia.