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Executive Office for Immigration Review Announces Director

FALLS CHURCH, Va. – Daren K. Margolin has been selected to serve as the Director of the Executive Office for Immigration Review, the agency announced today.

Director Margolin has over 30 years of federal service, including service as an Assistant Chief Immigration Judge with EOIR from 2020 to 2024. Prior to his service with EOIR, from 1989 to 2016, he served in various capacities in the Marine Corps, retiring as a Colonel. Director Margolin's service as a Marine included roles as military judge, prosecutor, appellate prosecutor, and defense counsel, as well as service as the staff judge advocate (general counsel) for various Marine commands, including the 3d Marine Aircraft Wing, 3d Marine Logistics Group, 1st Marine Division, and I Marine Expeditionary Force. After retiring from the Marine Corps, from 2017 to 2020, Director Margolin joined the Department of Homeland Security, serving as an Assistant Chief Counsel in the Office of the Principal Legal Advisor, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, in Adelanto, California.

Director Margolin earned a Bachelor of Arts in 1986 from the University of California, Irvine, a Juris Doctor in 1990 from New York Law School, and a Master of Political Science/National Security Studies in 2010 from the Israeli National Defense College and Haifa University. He is a member of the New York, New Jersey, Hawaii, and California bars.

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