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## **Texas Juvenile Justice Board Announces Shandra Carter as Interim Executive Director**

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AUSTIN—Judge Lisa Jarrett, the Chair of the Texas Juvenile Justice Board, has named Shandra Carter as the Interim Executive Director of the Texas Juvenile Justice Department. Carter will fill the position being vacated by Camille Cain, who announced today that she is stepping down as Executive Director after four years of service.

“Camille Cain has faithfully served the Texas Juvenile Justice Department and has dedicated her time as Executive Director to caring for the youth in the juvenile justice system and promoting public safety of all Texans,” said Jarrett. “I thank Camille for her decades of service to the State of Texas.

“At this time, I have named Shandra Carter as Interim Executive Director until a permanent replacement is approved by the Board. Carter has previously served as the agency’s Deputy Executive Director for State Services and brings a wealth of knowledge to the position as an expert in juvenile justice.”

An accomplished professional with more than a decade of experience working in corrections, Carter has dedicated her career to promoting public safety and has specialized in child development, abuse and neglect, and sexual violence treatment. She has worked primarily in residential and correctional settings, developing trauma-informed programming and programs to serve child sex-trafficking victims.

Carter earned her bachelor’s degree in Psychology and Law, Societies & Justice from the University of Washington. She went on to earn her master’s degree in Social Work at Eastern Washington University. She is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker Supervisor in Texas as well as a Licensed Childcare Administrator.

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