



MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT *of* EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

The Mississippi Department of Employment Security (MDES) is pleased to share the new executive team for their agency. In 2020, this state agency did a complete restoration in leadership and at the end of the year, a new administration was established. Jackie Turner, appointed as Executive Director for MDES, welcomes five new Deputy Executive Directors to her executive team: General Counsel, John Garrett; Guy Martin, Chief Financial Officer; along with 3 Chief Operating Officers: Timothy Rush, Director of Reemployment Assistance; Robin Stewart, Director of Workforce; and Laura Ring, Director of External Affairs. These directors have decades of service to MDES, have demonstrated extraordinary leadership and professionalism, with vision and knowledge of what is needed to continue moving MDES as a leader in state government.