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HANO Announces Promotion of Keva Landrum to Executive Vice President of Operations and Chief Counsel

New Orleans, LA – HANO is proud to announce the promotion of **Keva Landrum** to the position of **Executive Vice President of Operations and Chief Counsel**. In this new role, Landrum will have expanded responsibilities that encompass a wide range of high-level executive duties. These will include overseeing the authority's daily administrative and operational functions, as well as managing all legal matters. Collaborating closely with the President/CEO (Executive Director) and the executive team, this position will work to establish the agency's operational vision while also managing the daily administration of its departments.



Landrum has served as **HANO's General Counsel** since August 2023 and held the position of interim executive director from November 2024 to January 2025. As General Counsel for HANO, Landrum advises the executive leadership on matters related to operations, business, policy, legislation, and human resources, all in line with the agency's mission to oversee public housing and select neighborhoods in Orleans Parish.

Notably, she played a **key role in the acquisition of 821 Washington and the Estates at Desire**, which added **over 425 housing units to HANO's portfolio**. Additionally, she was instrumental in **HANO's relocation to new, modern, vibrant offices in New Orleans East, Uptown, and the Central Business District**. The move allows HANO to improve efficiency and enhance the agency's ability to serve our residents across New Orleans.

"Keva's hard work and dedication to the agency have been truly outstanding," said **Marjorianna Willman, President/CEO and Executive Director**. "She will continue to be a driving force behind HANO's success."

Landrum expressed her excitement and gratitude for the opportunity to serve in this new role, stating, "I am thankful for the trust you have placed in me, and I am eager to tackle the new challenges and responsibilities that lie ahead."

Landrum is a distinguished attorney and former judge with over two decades of legal experience. Her career is marked by keen legal insight, leadership, and integrity, enabling her to effectively apply the law in both public and private sectors. She began her public service as a respected prosecutor at the **Orleans Parish District Attorney's Office**, where she held multiple leadership positions and was the first female district attorney in Louisiana. From 2008 to 2020, she presided over **Section E of Orleans Parish Criminal**

District Court, becoming the first African American female chief judge in 2018. Her legal background includes litigating insurance defense and maritime cases at Deutsch Kerrigan, LLP. Since 2023, Ms. Landrum has also held the role of Assistant Examiner of Constitutional Law for the Louisiana Supreme Court. She has also served as a legal analyst for CBS Affiliate WWL-TV in New Orleans. A native of New Orleans, she earned her J.D. from **Tulane Law School** in 1997 and her B.A. from **Washington University in St. Louis** in 1994.

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The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) is focused on providing affordable housing opportunities for low-income residents of the city of New Orleans while laying the foundation for economic sustainability. HANO serves over 22,000 low-income families through its affordable housing programs. HANO also serves public housing needs for the elderly, disabled, and veterans. Visit www.hano.org to learn more.