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Cirrito named Internal Audit Division director

In February, the Texas Board of Criminal Justice appointed Chris Cirrito director of the agency's Internal Audit Division. The IAD performs independent analyses and appraisals of the agency, and makes recommendations concerning the adequacy and effectiveness of the agency's system of internal controls. The IAD director reports to the TBCJ.

Cirrito began his career with TDCJ in 1995 as a correctional officer at the Eastham and Ellis units. While working as a correctional officer he earned a bachelor degree in Criminology and Corrections from Sam Houston State University and in 1998 began working as an auditor for the agency's Internal Audit Division, advancing to the position

of audit manager in 2005. In 2012, Cirrito was awarded the Correctional Management



Chris Cirrito

Institute of Texas scholarship to attend the SHSU Master of Science in Criminal Justice Leadership and Management Weekend

Program. He received his master's degree in 2014.

Cirrito is certified by the Institute of Internal Auditors as a Certified Internal Auditor and a Certified Government Auditing Professional, and by the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners as a Certified Fraud Examiner.

Board Chairman Oliver Bell commented on Cirrito's appointment, saying, "Our practice has been to cultivate leaders from within our ranks, as well as seek talented professionals from outside the agency. Chris has knowledge of the agency's operations and a strong work ethic. His professionalism will serve him well in this position." ●