



## **News From Governor Bob Riley**

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### **RILEY APPOINTS NEW REVENUE COMMISSIONER**

MONTGOMERY - Gov. Bob Riley on Friday announced that he has appointed Tom Surtees, Vice President of Citation Corporation, to the recently vacated Revenue Commissioner post.

"Tom's professional experience and his management skills make him a great addition to my Cabinet. I know he will be an outstanding commissioner for the citizens of Alabama and run the department in an open and honest manner," Riley said.

Surtees, who was with Birmingham-based Citation Corporation since 1990, most recently served as the company's Vice President of Human Resources. Prior to working at Citation, Surtees was an employee relations manager at Stockham Valves and Fittings, Inc. and a personnel and purchasing manager for the Lamson and Sessions Company.

Surtees, 53, earned a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from the University of Alabama at Birmingham in 1979. In 1985, he received his Masters of Business Administration from UAB. In addition, Surtees is a graduate of the United States Army Command and General Staff College and served in the United States Army Reserves and the Alabama Army National Guard. He retired with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

An active member of several civic and professional organizations, Surtees previously held a position on the Pleasant Grove City Council. From 1992 to 1998 he served on the Jefferson County Board of Education, four of those years as president.

"I am honored and humbled that Gov. Riley has appointed me to this position of trust and responsibility," said Surtees. "I will do my best to serve the citizens of the state of Alabama."

Surtees will begin work on Monday, March 15. He replaces Dwight Carlisle, who left the Revenue Commissioner post after being named to the Auburn University Board of Trustees earlier this month.

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