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Jason Brinkley Appointed to Director of Planning & Zoning

PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – Jan. 10, 2025 – The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is pleased to announce the appointment of Jason Brinkley as the Director of Planning & Zoning, effective Jan. 11, 2025.

Brinkley brings over a decade of public sector leadership and legal counsel experience to his new role. He currently serves as the Deputy Director of Planning & Zoning and previously held the position of the county’s first ombudsman, where he advocated for equity and fairness for residents.

Brinkley's career spans 13 years in county government, where he demonstrated his leadership by overseeing multiple departments, and 15 years of legal practice in areas such as government, business law and civil litigation. Notably, his tenure as the top administrative official in Cooke County, Texas, Brinkley implemented initiatives that contributed to fiscal savings and improved public services, showcasing his ability to support sustainable development and operational efficiency.

“Jason's dedication and service to our community, coupled with his experience in county government and legal practice, uniquely position him to lead the Department of Planning & Zoning,” said BOCC President Earl F. “Buddy” Hance. “I am confident in his leadership and know he will continue to exceed our expectations in this new role, ensuring that the citizens of Calvert County are well-served.”

Brinkley’s background also includes experience in the private sector as a business development manager and consultant, where he managed public sector projects. Additionally, in

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his past role as Justice of the Peace for Cooke County, he upheld fairness and ethical conduct in legal proceedings.

“I am honored to continue serving the residents of Calvert County,” said Brinkley. “I look forward to collaborating with the talented team in Planning & Zoning to create sustainable, transparent and forward-thinking plans that will shape the future of our community.”

Brinkley holds a Juris Doctorate from Oklahoma City University School of Law, a Master’s Degree in public affairs from the University of Missouri, and a Bachelor of Science in political science from Texas A&M University.

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