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### **EOIR's Acting Director Participates in Naturalization Ceremony**

FAIRFAX, Va. – Thomas G. Snow, Acting Director, Executive Office for Immigration Review, delivered the keynote speech and administered the oath of citizenship to approximately 60 candidates during a naturalization ceremony at 2675 Prosperity Avenue, Fairfax, Va.

The Washington District Field Office, Eastern Region, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, hosted the ceremony.

#### **Biographical Information**

**Thomas G. Snow** was appointed as acting Director of the Executive Office for Immigration Review in February 2009. He received a bachelor of arts degree in 1977 from the College of William and Mary. Mr. Snow received a master of arts degree in 1980 and a juris doctorate in 1982, both from the University of Virginia. From January to February 2009, Mr. Snow served as acting Chief Immigration Judge. From October 2005 to January 2009, he served as an immigration judge at the Arlington Immigration Court. From 1991 to 2005, Mr. Snow served as principal deputy director for the Office of International Affairs, Criminal Division, Department of Justice (DOJ). From 1995 to 2005, he also worked as an adjunct professor of law at the University of Virginia Law School where he taught international criminal law. In 1989, Mr. Snow served as an attorney advisor in the Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State. From 1984 to 1989, he was a trial attorney in the Office of International Affairs, Criminal Division, DOJ. From 1982 to 1984, Mr. Snow served as a trial attorney in the voting section of the Civil Rights Division, DOJ. He is a member of the District of Columbia and Virginia bars.

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