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Commissioners Appoint Wright New Sheriff

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. – The Cumberland County Board of Commissioners this morning unanimously appointed Ennis Wright as the county's new sheriff. Wright will fill the unexpired term ending in 2018 of Earl "Moose" Butler who retired Dec. 31.

Wright has worked as a deputy in the Sheriff's Office since 1997 and is the first African-American to serve as the county's sheriff. He is a native of Fayetteville and graduate of Terry Sanford High School.



Ennis Wright greets the county commissioners following today's meeting where they unanimously appointed him as the county's sheriff.