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**JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT  
OF CRAIG S. MORFORD AS INTERIM UNITED STATES ATTORNEY  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE**

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Justice Department today announced the appointment of Craig S. Morford to serve as the interim United States Attorney for the Middle District of Tennessee. Mr. Morford will serve under an Attorney General appointment, succeeding Jim Vines, who will leave the Department on October 1, 2006.

Mr. Morford has served as the First Assistant United States Attorney in the Northern District of Ohio since November 2003. From August 2004 to March 2005, he served as the interim United States Attorney in the Eastern District of Michigan under an Attorney General appointment, and from 2004 to 2005, he served as a Special Counsel to the Attorney General in that district. Prior to becoming First Assistant United States Attorney, Mr. Morford served in 2003 as Criminal Chief in the Northern District of Ohio and as an Assistant United States Attorney in the district's Organized Crime Unit from 1990 to 2003. Mr. Morford served as a Special Attorney for the Department of Justice in the Cleveland Organized Crime Strike Force from 1987 to 1990, and as a trial attorney with the Office of the Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service from 1984 to 1987. He has twice received the Attorney General's Award for Distinguished Service.

Mr. Morford received his J.D. from the Valparaiso University School of Law, and his B.A. from Hope College.

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