Ken Thomas appointed secretary and chief examiner of Civil Service Board

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The Civil Service Board of the City of Dayton has announced the appointment of Ken Thomas as secretary and chief examiner, effective Monday, Jan. 28.

Since 2013, Thomas has served as senior employment manager, where he was responsible for administration of Civil Service testing processes and procedures. Thomas will oversee the programs and staff of the Board, which has 10 employees and an annual budget of $1.54 million.

Thomas has been with the City of Dayton since 1985 when he began his service as a seasonal recreation program leader.

Thomas also serves as the chairman of the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System, the 12th largest public retirement system in the U.S. It serves nearly 3,700 public employers and more than one million members, with a staff of over 500. He also sits on the Ohio Deferred Compensation Board, one of the largest of its kind in the country. He holds a B.A. in Organizational Management from Wilberforce University.

"Mr. Thomas has been an asset to the Civil Service Board for many years," said Richard Wright, chairperson of the Civil Service Board. "We are excited for his continued leadership as we continue to provide the best candidates for employment and promotion within the City of Dayton and Dayton Public Schools."