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**Attorney General's Office Names Robert Bolchoz
Chief Deputy Attorney General**

(COLUMBIA, SC) – South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson today announced that Robert Bolchoz has been named Chief Deputy Attorney General, effective Jan. 2, 2017.

Bolchoz will take over the position from John McIntosh who is retiring. McIntosh has served as Chief Deputy since 1998 for three attorneys general and has been in the Attorney General's Office since 1995.

McIntosh retires after an extensive 50-year legal career where he tried more than 300 criminal cases, including six death penalty trials. During his career, he worked as an Assistant Public Defender in Richland County and as Chief Deputy Solicitor in the 5th Circuit. From 1981 to 1994 he served as First Assistant in the U.S. Attorney's Office.

Attorney General Wilson noted, "It has been my honor and privilege to work with one of the most experienced and respected prosecutors in the state. John's legal knowledge is second to none and to work with him and learn from him has been invaluable to me as Attorney General."

Bolchoz brings more than 25 years of legal experience to the Attorney General's Office. This will be his second stint in the Office as he served as Chief Deputy Attorney General under former Attorney General Charlie Condon from 1995 to 1998. Prior to that, he served as an Assistant Solicitor and Deputy Solicitor in Charleston. Since 2010 he has been working in private practice in Columbia.

"I have known Robert many years and have no doubt that he will be an excellent addition to our staff," said Attorney General Wilson. "He not only has knowledge of this office and how it operates, but he also has extensive experience across the state in private practice and in the public sector. We look forward to having him as part of our team."

Bolchoz is a 1986 graduate of The Citadel, and received a law degree from the University of South Carolina School of Law in 1989. He and his wife, Cheryl, live in Columbia and have four children.

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