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**Executive Director Named for Illinois Liquor Control Commission**

CHICAGO – Michael J. Malone, a former Chief of Detectives and Deputy Superintendent of the Chicago Police Department, has been named Executive Director of the Illinois Liquor Control Commission.

The Illinois Liquor Control Commission regulates and controls the sale, distribution and manufacture of alcoholic liquor and licenses approximately 26,000 entities throughout Illinois. The Commission is also responsible for Illinois' compliance program that targets the availability and delivery of tobacco products to minors.

In his new position, Malone will oversee the Commission's following divisions: licensing, investigations, legal, industry education, tobacco and BASSET (Beverage Alcohol Sellers and Servers Education and Training). The commission's operations were consolidated into the Department of Revenue in June.

"I am pleased to find a candidate of Mike Malone's stature to fill this important position," said Illinois Revenue Director Brian Hamer. "His law enforcement experience and administrative credentials eminently qualify him to serve the citizens of Illinois in this position."

Malone retired in 1999 after 32 years of service with the Chicago Police Department to take a position as security manager for S&C Electric Company in Chicago. In addition, Malone served as an adjunct instructor for Calumet College in their Police Administration Program.