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Charles Holiday, Jr.

Charles Holiday, Jr. is the Executive Director of the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners and oversees voter registration and election administration for the City of Chicago's over 1.5 million voters. For over 30 years, Charles has dedicated his career towards the management of free, fair, and transparent elections in Chicago, including supervising the registration division through a digital modernization, multiple redistricting processes, voter canvassing, and more.

Charles's work has helped lead to several advancements that have improved voter turnout, including growing the successful Early Voting and Vote By Mail expansion, increasing poll worker training and recruitment, safeguarding accessible voting sites, and expanding outreach and communication to the many communities and civic organizations of Chicago. He also directs the day-to-day operations of the Board's seven divisions: registration, community services, information technology, pre-election voting and logistics, finance, human resources, and warehouse operations.

Charles is a graduate of the Chicago Public Schools system and attended Harold Washington College and Olive Harvey College. He is married to his wife Angela and is the proud father of four children and grandfather to three grandchildren. In his spare time, Charles volunteers with charities throughout the city, including the Greater Chicago Food Depository, Ronald McDonald House, and Wrightwood Little League Baseball.