



The Hot Springs Housing Authority Board of Commissioners has named Nadine Jarmon as the new executive director of the Hot Springs Housing Authority. She will succeed the previous director, Richard Herrington, who retired after eight years of service with the agency, a news release said.

"I am very excited about this opportunity and look forward to working diligently with the Board, staff and broader community to make a positive impact,"

Jarmon said in the release.

"I'm thankful for the transition afforded to me by Mr. Herrington. There are exciting days ahead that require hard work and dedication to which I'm up to the challenge," she said. The commissioners said in the release that Jarmon "has a proven record of being a powerful and tireless advocate for affordable housing. She has expansive knowledge of the industry and will be a great asset to the Hot Springs Housing Authority and to this community."

Jarmon is an Arkansas native, having worked in public housing since 1994 starting in Houston as a research analyst, according to a biography provided by the board. She also worked as a consultant for the Louisville, Kentucky, West Chester, Pennsylvania, and Gary, Indiana, housing authorities. She held executive director positions in New Orleans at the time of Hurricane Katrina, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Deerfield Beach, Florida, and in Little Rock.

"Because of her public housing background, her experiences with different public housing agencies, and its due diligence in vetting Dr. Jarmon, the board of commissioners felt that she had the prerequisites for the job and would be a perfect fit to replace Herrington and make the transition seamless to the executive director's position," the release said.

Jarmon has a doctorate degree in urban and public affairs from the University of Texas, a master's degree in business administration from the University of Houston, master's degree in public administration from the University of Texas Arlington and a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Central Arkansas. She also

completed a two-year fellowship at Yale University as a HUD Community Renaissance Fellow.