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### USS Alabama Battleship Commission announces Selection of New Battleship Memorial Park Executive Director

The USS Alabama Battleship Commission and the USS Alabama Battleship Memorial Park, the top tourist attraction in Alabama for 2015, are pleased to announce that Major General Janet Cobb, US Army Reserve, has been selected to fill the Executive Director's position.

MG Janet Cobb joins the USS Alabama staff as the Park celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary since opening to the public in 1965. She will fill the vacancy created by Bill Tunnell's retirement after serving 19 years as the Executive Director.

Major General Cobb comes to Battleship Park with a wealth of experience from her military career and also from her experience in the real estate business. She is the eighth Executive Director to hold the position since the Park opened.

Colonel Patrick H. Downing, the Chairman of the Battleship Commission, commenting about Major General Cobb's hiring, said, "Her selection as the Executive Director assures us that, as we begin the next 50 years of the Park, we have the right person to lead our Memorial into that next 50 years. Janet Cobb will bring superb leadership and management to the Park and a deep sense of commitment to our mission and our Park employees. We are very fortunate to have someone of Janet's caliber to occupy this very important position."