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Marchant to Step Down from Deputy Secretary Post

MADISON, WI — The Department of Employee Trust Funds (ETF) announces the departure of Deputy Secretary Robert Marchant, who is leaving his post to pursue a professional opportunity in the private sector. Marchant's resignation is effective May 2.

A replacement has not been named, according to Secretary Robert Conlin. Plans are underway to begin the search process this spring.

"Rob's leadership, integrity, strength of character and commitment to excellence have served ETF and the members of the Wisconsin Retirement System very well. We all wish him the best in his new endeavors," said Conlin.

"I am so grateful to have worked alongside the Employee Trust Funds Board, Secretary Conlin and the other excellent people of ETF," said Marchant. "On a daily basis, they demonstrate the passion and professionalism that is expected of those administering the state's laws. It has been a highlight of my career to work with them to help our government function."

Marchant has been at ETF since 2012 and in public service for the past 15 years. Prior to joining ETF, Marchant was the non-partisan Chief Clerk and Director of Operations of the Wisconsin State Senate. He also served as an attorney at the Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau and in private practice.

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The [Department of Employee Trust Funds](http://etf.wi.gov) is the state agency that administers Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) benefits. The WRS has approximately \$94 billion in assets as of December 31, 2013. It is the 9th largest U.S. public pension fund and the 28th largest public or private pension fund in the world. WRS assets are professionally managed by the State of Wisconsin Investment Board. To learn more about the WRS, go to etf.wi.gov.