PROBATION DEPARTMENT (chief appointed by Board of Supervisors)

In 1909, Superior Court Judge Z.B. West appointed the first county Probation Committee. The committee then selected Rev. J.H. Scott as Orange County's first Chief Probation Officer on April 16, 1909. Rev. Scott was followed as Chief Probation Officer by:

Paul E. Wright 1920-21

Russell R. Miller 1921-25

Leroy A. Warren 1925-30

Nora M. Allen 1930-39

David R. McMillan 1939-67

Carl S. Warner (interim)

Served during part of World War II, while David McMillan was in the armed forces.

Margaret C. Grier 1967-78

Nancy K. Nelson (acting) 1978-79

Michael A. Schumacher 1979-99

Jim Robinson (acting) 1999-2000 Stephanie Lewis 2000-05

Colleen Preciado 2005-10

Steve Sentman 2010-present