



# Press Release

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## **Skanska USA Tops Out New Okaloosa County Judicial Center**

Fort Walton Beach, F.L. – On Thursday, July 29, the Okaloosa County Board of County Commissioners and Skanska USA will celebrate the “topping out” of Okaloosa County’s new, \$22.4 million courthouse annex extension and administration building at the C.H. “Bull” Rigdon Fairgrounds and Recreation Complex.

The Okaloosa County Judicial Center is being constructed by Skanska USA, a leading national and local provider of construction, pre-construction consulting, general contracting and design-build services. The “topping out” ceremony marks the safe and successful end of vertical construction on a building, usually held at the half-way point of a major building project.

Opening in fall 2011, the new courthouse annex extension and administration building will be a three-story, 84,000-square-foot facility. The building will feature six new courtrooms, administrative office space and extensive prisoner and judicial security technology. The new site will have two retention ponds, multiple parking spaces, new hardscape and landscape in addition to a new entrance with a traffic signal.

“We are proud of our involvement with the new Okaloosa County courthouse facility,” said John Reyhan, Executive Vice President of Skanska. “The leadership shown by our team ensures the timely and safe delivery of a great building, and we are excited to announce that we have had zero lost time accidents to date on this project.”

The building will be completed in August 2011.

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Skanska is one of the world's leading project development and construction groups with expertise in construction, development of commercial and residential projects and public-private partnerships. Based on its global green experience, Skanska aims to be the clients' first choice for Green solutions. The Group currently has 49,000 employees in selected home markets in Europe, in the U.S. and Latin America. Headquartered in Stockholm, Sweden and listed on the Stockholm Stock Exchange, Skanska's sales in 2009 totalled \$17.9 billion.