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PRESS RELEASE

**Deputy District Attorney Named Co-Chair of
State-Wide Juvenile Prosecutor's Network**

Chester County District Attorney Tom Hogan announced that Deputy District Attorney Renée Merion has been named co-chair of the Pennsylvania District Attorneys Association's Juvenile Prosecutor's Network ("JPN"). JPN is a state-wide forum for juvenile prosecutors from throughout Pennsylvania to meet and discuss cases, receive the latest updates on legislation and case law, and provide training in the juvenile justice system. Ms. Merion will share this position with Michael Stackow, Juvenile Unit Chief of the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office.

Ms. Merion has been a member of the Chester County District Attorney's Office for 22 years. She is the Deputy District Attorney in charge of the Juvenile Unit. She received her undergraduate degree from Sweet Briar College and her law degree from Widener University School of Law.

Ms. Merion stated, "I am honored to be named co-chair of the Juvenile Prosecutor's Network. I look forward to working with Mike Stackow and all the members of the JPN. They are a truly dedicated group of prosecutors who work hard every day to ensure integrity in the juvenile justice system."

District Attorney Hogan stated, "Renée Merion is recognized across Pennsylvania as an expert in juvenile law and a fair-minded prosecutor. It is a privilege for Chester County to be recognized as serving in a leadership role across the Commonwealth."

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