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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Former Federal Prosecutor  
Joins Team for Pipeline Investigation**

The Chester County District Attorney's Office announced that Seth Weber has been appointed as a special prosecutor to work on the investigation of the Mariner East pipelines in Chester County.

Weber is a former federal prosecutor, having served for 26 years as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. As a federal prosecutor, he prosecuted multiple complex environmental crimes cases, as well as political corruption, drugs, and violent crime.

The Chester County District Attorney's Office initiated a criminal investigation of the Mariner East pipelines in December of 2018. The pipelines are owned and operated by Energy Transfer LP, Sunoco Logistics Partners, and related corporate entities. The pipelines run across Pennsylvania and through Chester County. In Chester County, the pipelines have been associated with sink holes, fouling of well water, and other issues. The pipelines have attracted heated opposition.

District Attorney Hogan stated, "I have known Seth Weber for almost 20 years. He is a strong prosecutor with a very particular set of skills to deal with environmental crimes. We appreciate Seth volunteering to work with Chester County on this case."

Weber stated, "I look forward to being part of the Chester County District Attorney's Office team of prosecutors and investigators. Working together, we want to do everything possible to avoid any risk of environmental hazards which may endanger the citizens of Chester County. After all, we only have one environment."

Weber is currently an adjunct professor at Villanova University and DeSales University. At Villanova, Weber teaches Environmental Law and Policy. At DeSales, he teaches various criminal justice courses, including White Collar Crime, Constitutional Law, and Environmental Law.

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