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New Deputy Chief Assistant District Attorney Named; Elizabeth Mackey to Head Gang/Organized Crime Unit

Canton, GA - April 14, 2026 – District Attorney Susan K. Treadaway announces that Elizabeth B. Mackey has been promoted to Deputy Chief Assistant District Attorney of the Gang/Organized Crime Unit. This unit focuses on prosecuting gang-related crimes and organized retail crimes, while working closely with law enforcement to dismantle criminal networks that threaten the community.

Mackey has been a prosecutor for more than 12 years, with extensive experience in gang prosecution, organized drug trafficking operations, human trafficking, and other serious felony crimes.

“Elizabeth Mackey brings a proven record of leadership and deep understanding of complex criminal organizations, which will serve her well in this new role,” said District Attorney Susan K. Treadaway. “Her experience and commitment to serving our community make her exceptionally well-suited to lead this unit and strengthen our efforts to hold these offenders accountable.”

As Deputy Chief of the Gang/Organized Crime Unit, Mackey will oversee the unit’s daily operations and supervise prosecutors assigned to the team. Mackey has been part of the Cherokee County District Attorney’s Office since January 2023. She served as a team lead for one of the four Cherokee County superior courts while also managing a caseload of felony cases involving violent crime, drug offenses, sexual assault, and homicide.

Previously, Mackey held the position of senior assistant district attorney for the Appalachian Judicial Circuit, where she served a critical role in the day-to-day operations of the Pickens County office. As the circuit’s gang prosecutor, she led the prosecution of its first human trafficking and gang case. In addition, she provided training to law enforcement on gang investigations and prosecution strategies.

“I’m honored to take on this role and grateful for the opportunity to continue serving the citizens of Cherokee County,” said Deputy Chief ADA Mackey. “I look forward to working alongside our law enforcement partners to build strong cases and ensure those involved in organized criminal activity are held accountable.”

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