

Governor Phil Murphy

Governor Murphy Announces Nominations of Burlington County and Atlantic County Prosecutors

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Also Renominates Jennifer Webb-McRae as Cumberland County Prosecutor

TRENTON - Governor Phil Murphy today nominated LaChia Bradshaw to serve as Burlington County Prosecutor and William Reynolds to serve as Atlantic County Prosecutor. Governor Murphy also renominated Jennifer Webb-McRae to continue as Cumberland County Prosecutor, a position she has served in since 2010. Bradshaw will assume the role of Acting Prosecutor on Tuesday, May 31, and Reynolds will become Acting Prosecutor on Monday, June 6. All three nominations are subject to confirmation by the Senate.

"Today, I am proud to nominate LaChia Bradshaw, William Reynolds, and Jennifer Webb-McRae to serve as County Prosecutors," **said Governor Murphy**. "Their years of experience and commitment to public service will serve them well as they take on these critical roles. I look forward to working with LaChia, William, and Jennifer as they fulfill the mission of seeking justice for the people of New Jersey."

"LaChia Bradshaw, Will Reynolds, and Jennifer Webb-McRae possess the leadership qualities, professional experience, and commitment to justice that will serve their communities and respective offices well," **said Acting Attorney General Matthew J. Platkin**. "Their nominations today reflect Governor Murphy's sustained efforts to ensure that leadership at all levels of law enforcement reflect the diversity and richness of different experiences that are the hallmarks of our State. I would like to thank Burlington County Prosecutor Scott Coffina and Acting Atlantic County Prosecutor Cary Shill for their tireless service to the residents of those counties and their work in seeking justice for the people of New Jersey."

"I am incredibly humbled and honored to be nominated by Governor Murphy to serve as Burlington County Prosecutor," **said LaChia Bradshaw, incoming Burlington County Prosecutor**. "As a career Assistant Prosecutor, I regularly use my words to describe various scenarios, but there are none that sufficiently characterize how grateful I am to have been offered this opportunity to continue to serve the residents of Burlington County as Prosecutor. Working with law enforcement has become a passion for me and I will bring that energy to this office by continuing to zealously advocate for victims, hold violent offenders accountable and build trust with all of the communities we serve by ensuring there is justice for all. It is not lost on me that this is a historic nomination as I will be the first woman or person of color to be considered for this role in the county's over 100 year history. Representation matters. Even as a career prosecutor, I never imagined it was possible to obtain this position. Primarily because I'd never seen anyone in this county who looked like me in this position. I hope to encourage and inspire all people, and particularly people of color to consider careers in law enforcement and prosecution and become as passionate about it as I am."

"I am most grateful to Governor Murphy for the trust and confidence he has placed in me," **said William Reynolds, incoming Atlantic County Prosecutor**. "I am humbled by the incredible opportunity and the county-wide bipartisan support throughout the nomination process. I will work tirelessly to protect the citizens of Atlantic County and to Do Justice for ALL. I cannot wait to go to work."

"I would like to thank Governor Murphy for giving me the opportunity to continue to serve as Cumberland County Prosecutor," **said Cumberland County Prosecutor Jennifer Webb-McRae**. "I am truly honored to shape what justice looks like in my community. I look forward to continuing to lead the Cumberland County Prosecutor's Office as we reimagine what Public Safety looks like in the 21st Century."

LaChia Bradshaw is currently a Senior Assistant Prosecutor serving in the Major Crimes-Special Victim's Unit of the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office. She was previously assigned to the Megan's Law Unit where she was first named the Supervising Assistant Prosecutor. While leading the Megan's Law Unit, Bradshaw participated in community engagement and worked alongside local law enforcement officials to educate them on the nuances of Megan's Law and the dangers of child exploitation. She has successfully briefed and argued Megan's Law Issues before the New Jersey Megan's Law Appellate Division, the Appellate Court and the Supreme Court of New Jersey. Bradshaw received her B.S. in Administration of Justice from Rutgers University with a minor in Sociology and earned her J.D. from the University of Maryland School of Law. Bradshaw resides in Columbus, New Jersey.

William Reynolds currently serves as prosecutor for several municipalities across Atlantic County. Reynolds also practices as a dispute resolution professional for Forthright, a global provider of process design, automation, and management solutions, which is contracted by the State of New Jersey to administer no-fault insurance personal injury protection arbitrations under the State's Automobile Insurance Cost Reduction Act. Previously, Reynolds served as the Arbitration Administrator and Presumptive Mediation Coordinator for the Atlantic County Law Division. He also worked in private practice. Reynolds received his B.A. from Rutgers University and earned his J.D. from Rutgers - Camden School of Law. Reynolds resides in Brigantine, New Jersey.

In her capacity as Prosecutor, Jennifer Webb-McRae is responsible for overseeing the 115 person office which prosecutes indictable crimes throughout Cumberland County. In January of 2010, Webb-McRae was nominated by Governor Jon S. Corzine to be the first African American, and the first woman to serve as Prosecutor of Cumberland County. In November of 2016, Governor Chris Christie nominated Prosecutor Webb-McRae for a second five year term as Cumberland County Prosecutor. In January of 2017, Prosecutor Webb-McRae was sworn in becoming the first full-time Prosecutor in Cumberland County to serve a second term. She has served as Child Support Attorney for the Cumberland County Welfare Board, Solicitor for the Fairfield Township Land Use Board, and Public Defender for Maurice River Township. Webb-McRae was an Assistant Deputy Public Defender for the State of New Jersey for six years. She is a graduate of Glassboro State University and Rutgers - Camden School of Law, and the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers College in Macon, Georgia. Webb-McRae is a native of Vineland, New Jersey.

For a picture of LaChia Bradshaw, click here.
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For a picture of William Reynolds, click here
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