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**Assistant District Attorney Frank A. Harvey  
promoted to Deputy District Attorney**

9th District Attorney General Russell Johnson recently announced the elevation of Senior Assistant District Attorney Frank Harvey to the position of Deputy District Attorney General. Johnson noted that the “promotion” recognizes Harvey’s 30 years of service as a state prosecutor with the 9th District Attorney General’s Office.

Currently Harvey handles the Criminal Court responsibilities for Loudon and Morgan Counties where he prosecutes more serious felony cases and any other felony or misdemeanor case that is not resolved at the General Sessions Court level. “General Harvey has always played a leadership role in my office in terms of helping formulate policy and deciding how key investigations are handled, as well as how major or more difficult cases are prosecuted through the system,” Johnson stated. “The designation of Deputy District Attorney basically puts the appropriate label on the hat that Frank has already been wearing for the last few years in my administration”. Johnson went on, “I told Frank that the promotion means more responsibility and more work but the same amount of pay.”

One of the primary roles Harvey has played at the office for a number of years has been in providing POST certification training for officers and investigators, especially in the areas of search and seizure. He also served as a faculty advisor at the National College of District Attorneys in Houston, Texas. Several of the higher profile cases in the district that Harvey has prosecuted have caught national attention and have appeared on episodes of *Snapped*, with one to be aired in December.

A number of the thirty-one districts across the State have an assistant district attorney who is designated as the Deputy District Attorney. Johnson went on to say that Frank will basically be in charge of the office when General Johnson is trying cases or out of the office with his extended duties on the Judicial Nomination Commission (the committee that nominates attorneys for open Judge positions across the State) and with his duties as the State of Tennessee’s designated board member on the National District Attorney’s Association.

Frank Harvey has always been active outdoorsman as a rock climbing enthusiast and as a certified scuba diver. He has ice climbed in the Alps and in Western Canada. He has rock climbed throughout the United States. He has been scuba diving in some of the more remote areas of the Caribbean Sea. One of his current hobbies is crafting art sculptures out of metal using his welding skills. Johnson and Harvey have also started an annual hiking vacation where in 2011 they hiked in the Rocky Mountains in Idaho and this past summer they hiked a fifty mile section of the Appalachian Trail together.