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**MARLER APPOINTED HEAD PROSECUTING ATTORNEY FOR FLORISSANT**



Todd Marler, Attorney at Law with The Marler Law Group, has been appointed head prosecuting attorney for the City of Florissant by Mayor Thomas P. Schneider. The appointment was effective September 1, 2017.

Marler previously has served as an assistant prosecuting attorney for Florissant. He replaces Ronald Brockmeyer, who resigned from the position in March 2015 after many years of dedicated service.

“After the resignation of Mr. Brockmeyer in March 2015, the position has been vacant, with assistant prosecutors DeAnn Outlaw and Mary Elizabeth Dorsey serving as interim co-prosecuting attorneys,” said Mayor Schneider. “Todd Marler was added as a third prosecuting attorney and has shown a tremendous amount of talent and initiative bringing new ideas to the table.

“I feel it is time to identify new leadership going forward to take responsibility as the City’s prosecuting attorney,” added Mayor Schneider. “Following much reflection I have decided to appoint Mr. Marler to this important post, with the hope that both Ms. Dorsey and Ms. Outlaw will remain as his assistants.”

Marler’s work for The Marler Law Group focuses on litigation, estate planning and business law practice, emphasizing divorce, child support and family law, criminal law, personal injuries, wrongful death, insurance claims, business law and business litigation, construction law, and wills and estate planning.

Additionally, he annually donates hundreds of hours in pro bono work for the benefit of needy and indigent clients. Marler currently serves on the board of the Florissant Valley Jaycees Foundation, raising money for scholarships that benefit students from Florissant and North County.

In his new position, Marler has been challenged by Mayor Schneider to commit to meet regularly with the City’s code enforcement personnel to discuss methods for expediting the handling and disposition of code enforcement cases for Florissant.

Schneider added that Marler’s “experience in criminal and traffic matters, along with his commitment to new and pro-active ideas to focus on the efficiency and fairness of the prosecutor’s office role in our municipal court, makes him an excellent choice for our new lead prosecuting attorney.”

The Missouri Supreme Court has mandated making alternative service an option for defendants who are unable to pay fines and court costs. Marler’s pro-active approach includes setting up a program using a private court service to help oversee and administer the program in coordination with the Florissant Public Works Department.

Marler has an interest in setting up a program called Volunteers in Service to Florissant (VISTOF). If approved, the new program would consist of individuals who would volunteer their time to clean up, pick up litter, remove debris and do light maintenance on problem properties within the city boundaries. VISTOF volunteers could work with people assigned to do work by the court in lieu of payments of fines and court costs.

As prosecuting attorney Marler has pledged ongoing communication with the City’s Police Department to review recent court decisions dealing with search and seizure, probable cause and other issues of importance to the Police Department. Marler believes that communication with the community is crucial, and plans to make himself available to Florissant-sponsored community and town hall meetings, schools and area organizations to explain the function of the court and the municipal prosecuting attorney.

Marler, who grew up in Hazelwood, is a lifetime resident of North County. He attended Hazelwood West High School, and then received a bachelor’s degree in political science in 1996 from Westminster College in Fulton, MO. He earned his juris doctorate from the Washington University School of Law in 1999.