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**THE HONORABLE JODY S. PICKENS ELECTED TO LEAD
TENNESSEE DISTRICT ATTORNEYS**
26th District Attorney General Continues Leadership

CHESTER, HENDERSON AND MADISON COUNTIES, Tenn. (June 20, 2022) – Jody S. Pickens, 26th District Attorney General, has been elected by fellow members of the Tennessee District Attorneys General Conference (TNDAGC) to serve as vice president on the organization’s Executive Committee. In this new position, Pickens will play a pivotal role in guiding the overall administration of justice in Tennessee.

“I am honored to have been chosen to serve as vice president of the Executive Committee,” Pickens said. “I have been privileged to serve on the Executive Committee for the past three years, working alongside incredible teams from across the state. I look forward to stepping into this new role and serving the people of Tennessee, ensuring the work we are doing provides justice and protects the most vulnerable in our great state.”

“The mission of the Tennessee District Attorneys General Conference is to support our elected District Attorneys in their constitutional duty to seek justice and protect Tennesseans,” said Guy R. Jones, TNDAGC Executive Director. “General Pickens’ election to the Executive Committee, and his wise counsel and leadership, will be instrumental in managing a budget of over \$130M and 1,100 employees.”

After graduating from law school in 1996, Pickens was appointed Assistant District Attorney General by Gen. Jerry Woodall, a position he held for 21 years. After Woodall’s retirement, Pickens was appointed District Attorney General by Gov. Bill Haslam in 2017 and was then elected without opposition in 2018. Pickens is a lifelong resident of Madison County, Tenn., and is actively involved in the community. Since 2004, Pickens has served as a member of the Sexual Assault Response Team for Jackson-Madison County. He is a member of the Jackson Downtown Rotary Club and is an elder at First Presbyterian Church. In addition to community involvement, he has served on the Executive Committee of the TNDAGC for the past three years, is a member of the Tennessee Board of Professional Responsibility and Gov. Bill Lee’s Council for Judicial Appointments.

He is married to the former Linsey Stone and has three children, Stone (10), Sarah Tucker (8), and Elizabeth (6).

The Tennessee District Attorneys General Conference was created by the General Assembly in 1961 to provide for a more prompt and efficient administration of justice in the courts of the state. It is composed of the elected District Attorneys General from the state’s 31 judicial districts. www.tndagc.org

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