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ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY KRISTEN GIBBONS FEDEN LEAVING DA'S OFFICE; WILL CONTINUE AS SPECIAL PROSECUTOR FOR COMMONWEALTH v. WILLIAM H. COSBY, JR.

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (Aug. 10, 2017) — Montgomery County District Attorney Kevin R. Steele announced today that Assistant District Attorney Kristen Gibbons Feden is leaving the DA's Office, effective Aug. 15, 2017, but will remain part of the team prosecuting William H. Cosby, Jr. Feden is joining the Philadelphia-based law firm of Stradley Ronon as an associate and will primarily handle civil litigation.

“Kristen has been an outstanding prosecutor. She is always prepared, terrific in her approach and has excellent courtroom presence. We are sad to lose one of the best young attorneys we have. We will miss her personally and professionally, but I am very pleased that Stradley Ronon has so graciously allowed Kristen to continue with the Commonwealth v. William H. Cosby case and to see this prosecution through.”

William R. Sasso, chairman of Stradley Ronon's management committee and board of directors, also praised Feden. “Kristen is an exceptional courtroom attorney and will be an asset to our strong litigation team. She brings excellent experience to our firm, which will be of great value to our clients.”

Michael D. O'Mara, chair of Stradley's Litigation Department, stated: “We are thrilled to have landed Kristen. She's a superstar in any setting—whether as a criminal prosecutor or now in private practice. She's a perfect complement to our already deep bench of skilled trial lawyers.” Feden joined the DA's Office in 2012. Since then, she has prosecuted a wide variety of criminal cases, including homicide, rape, sexual assault, domestic violence, aggravated assault, burglary, elder abuse and child pornography. Since February 2017, Feden has been the Captain of the Domestic Violence Unit. Prior to her promotion, she served on the Sex Crimes Unit.

In 2016, Feden was named one of the “Top 40 Under 40” by the Philadelphia Business Journal. Other awards include a Montgomery County District Attorney’s Office Commendation for her prosecutorial work (May 2016); the 2016 Matty Muir Award from the Victim Services Center in Montgomery County; and Unit Commendations from the Montgomery Township Police Department (May 2016) and the Upper Merion Police Department (January 2015).

Feden earned her law degree from Temple University Beasley School of Law in 2009 and a Bachelors in Science (Neuroscience) at Lafayette College in 2004. Prior to law school, Feden worked as a financial analyst for Bloomberg, L.P. in New York.

Approved for release:

Kevin R. Steele