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### Montgomery County Announces New Leadership at Public Defender's Office

**Norristown, PA (Feb. 26, 2020)** – Effective immediately, the Montgomery County Public Defender's Office will be led by Carol Sweeney and Greg Nester, who will serve as co-chief deputy public defenders going forward.

Carol is currently Case Management Chief and Greg serves as Chief of the Mental Health Unit. Both are senior leaders who will bring their experience, skills and expertise to bear in leading the office and ensuring our most vulnerable residents receive high-quality representation while also moving forward on needed reforms and partnerships to improve the justice system.

Montgomery County is dedicated to implementing initiatives that reduce recidivism, provide diversionary programs and treatment options to eliminate the need for incarceration and improve outcomes for those released from prison, all while protecting the safety of our communities. These initiatives are a collaborative effort that involve many of our county offices and partner agencies.

Carol is a graduate of Penn State and the Widener University Delaware School of Law. She began her career in the Montgomery County District Attorney's Office where she was head of the Narcotics Enforcement Team and co-chief of the Trial Division. She was in private practice for 15 years before joining the Public Defender's Office in 2008. She has been the Case Management Chief for three years, supervising 24 trial attorneys, and is the Behavioral Court liaison.

Greg is a graduate of Indiana University and the Indiana University School of Law – Indianapolis. He has been with the Public Defender's Office for over 10 years and was previously Chief of the Pre-Trial Unit.