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Montgomery County Names New Solicitor

Norristown, PA (June 15, 2017) – The Montgomery County Commissioners today announced that Shelley R. Smith is joining the county’s senior team on June 19, 2017 as county solicitor.

For eight years, Smith served as city solicitor under Philadelphia Mayor Michael Nutter.

“Shelley will be a wonderful addition to the county’s strong legal team and our senior staff,” said Valerie Arkoosh, MD, Chair of the Montgomery County Board of Commissioners. “Her wealth of experience as solicitor for Philadelphia will help her hit the ground running in Montgomery County.”

Smith is also a partner at Archer & Greiner, P.C. in Philadelphia where she handles litigation, labor/employment, and general counsel practice for public and private clients. She has previously served as associate general counsel, Regulatory Affairs for Exelon Corporation and was of counsel at Ballard Spahr, LLP. From 1992-2006, she worked for the City of Philadelphia where she ascended from assistant city solicitor for general trials to chair of the Corporate and Tax Group. She clerked for The Hon. Robert N.C. Nix, Jr., chief justice of Pennsylvania at the beginning of her legal career.

“Shelley has represented governments, hospitals, large corporations, and non-profits. We are excited that she is bringing her considerable legal expertise here to Montgomery County,” added Ken Lawrence, Jr., Vice Chair of the Montgomery County Board of Commissioners. “We have hired the best candidate to lead our team of nine attorneys in the Montgomery County Office of the Solicitor. We look forward to working with Shelley.”

Smith earned her law degree from Villanova University School of Law and her BA in Criminal Justice from Temple University.