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## Tarrant County Special Victims Prosecutor Honored by Alliance For Children

(Fort Worth, TX) – Tarrant County Assistant Criminal District Attorney Kelly Meador has been awarded the 2018 Team Excellence Award by <u>Alliance For Children</u> (AFC).

Team Excellence Awards are given out each year by Alliance For Children to individuals who have demonstrated leadership, teamwork, and excellence in their field as a part of our multidisciplinary team. Awards are given out in the following categories: Alliance For Children Staff, Alliance For Children Volunteer, Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, Tarrant County Criminal District Attorney's office, Law Enforcement, and medical. This award promotes the outstanding spirit of teamwork within each of these disciplinary areas.

Meador, the Assistant Chief of the Criminal District Attorney's Special Victims Unit, has handled many of the unit's high profile cases, including sexual assaults against children, serious head injuries to infants, and child fatalities. She has been with the Criminal District Attorney's Office for 12 years.

"I'm happy to see one of our top trial attorneys being recognized," said Criminal District Attorney Sharen Wilson. "Kelly is a committed advocate for some of our community's most vulnerable victims."

"Kelly's passion for child abuse cases is evident by how hard she works day in and day out for the children of Tarrant County," said R. Dale Smith, chief prosecutor for the Special Victims Unit. "Her dedication has not gone unnoticed."

"I am very grateful and humbled to receive the Alliance for Children Team Excellence Award," said Meador. "I truly love my job as a prosecutor and it's a gift to be able to work with the amazing partner agencies at the Alliance For Children."

Meador was presented with the award at AFC's annual Picnic in the Park event, held at Globe Life Park in Arlington.

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