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Tarrant County DA's Criminal Division Chief Recognized by Tarrant Legal Community

(Fort Worth, TX) – Larry Moore, Criminal Division Chief for the Tarrant County Criminal District Attorney's Office has been given the prestigious *Professionalism Award* by the Tarrant County Bar Association.

Moore has practiced criminal law in Tarrant County for more than 40 years. He first began working for the Tarrant County Criminal District Attorney's Office in 1977, under then-District Attorney Tim Curry, and was appointed Criminal Division Chief in 1984. After leaving that post in 1986, Moore went on to become a leader in the Texas criminal defense lawyers' community. In addition to the many cases he defended, he served as president of the Tarrant County Criminal Defense Lawyers Association; as the member of State Bar committees that set state standards relating to legal services for the poor and the qualifications of attorneys for appointment to death penalty cases; and as a graduate and law school professor.

Moore is also well-known for his commitment to the Innocence Project. A former Director of the Innocence Project of Texas, he has also served as local counsel for the Innocent Project in New York for cases in Tarrant County, and as the supervising Adjunct Professor for the Wesleyan Innocence Project at Texas Wesleyan University's School of Law (now Texas A&M School of Law). He left private practice and returned to the Tarrant County Criminal District Attorney's Office in 2015 to serve as Criminal Division Chief for District Attorney Sharen Wilson.

"Larry displays genuine empathy for the people he represents, for those he practices against, and for the citizens and victims whose worst moments in life have led them to the courtroom," said Criminal District Attorney Sharen Wilson. "He exhausts every tool in his vast arsenal in each and every case, acting as a public servant to the citizens of this county."

"Larry knows that all you have are your reputation and your ethics. I'm honored to call him my friend, and the best lawyer I know. There is no better example of professionalism in law than Larry Moore."

The Professionalism Award was established in 2000 by the Bar Association. The award recognizes a bar member who exemplifies, by conduct and character, professional traits that others in the bar should try to emulate; is an inspiring role model for the bar; is respected by his or her peers; and is someone who makes other lawyers proud of the legal profession.

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