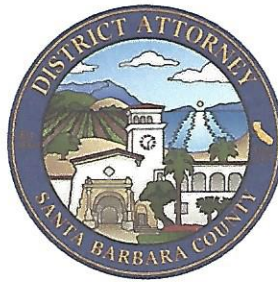


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Re: Cynthia Gresser and John Savrnoch, Santa Barbara County Chief Deputy District Attorneys

Santa Barbara County District Attorney Joyce E. Dudley proudly announces the promotion of two Deputy District Attorneys to the position of Chief Deputy District Attorney—Cynthia Gresser and John Savrnoch.



Cynthia Gresser

Cynthia Gresser has been a Deputy District Attorney for the Santa Barbara County District Attorney's office since 2006. During that time she successfully prosecuted a variety of serious cases including murder, criminal street gang crimes, major sex crimes, major narcotics, domestic violence, and elder abuse crimes. Cynthia was recognized as Deputy District Attorney of the Year in 2011 and received the Santa Maria Elk's Law Enforcement Appreciation award for Outstanding Performance in 2015.

Cynthia attended California Polytechnic State University at San Luis Obispo where she earned her Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in 2000. She went on to graduate with a law degree at Santa Clara University in 2003.

In March 2016, Cynthia was appointed Chief Deputy District Attorney by District Attorney Joyce Dudley. Cynthia currently supervises all deputy district attorneys assigned to the Santa Maria and Lompoc offices.

John Savrnoch



John Savrnoch has been a Deputy District Attorney for the Santa Barbara County District Attorney's Office assigned to the Lompoc Division since January 2015. Prior to coming to Santa Barbara County, John was an attorney for the Fresno County District Attorney's Office for almost 23 years. John's career in Fresno included representing abused children, prosecuting insurance fraud, and prosecuting serious financial crimes, before spending the last decade as a supervisor/administrator. John's administrative assignments in Fresno County included supervising the financial crimes and consumer protection unit, supervising the misdemeanor prosecution unit, serving as an Assistant District Attorney, and serving as the Chief Assistant District Attorney.

John received both a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Business Administration from Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. John attended law school at the University of Wisconsin, where he received his Juris Doctor in 1990.

In March 2016, John was appointed to serve as a Chief Deputy District Attorney by Santa Barbara County District Attorney Joyce Dudley. John will be assigned to the Santa Barbara office and will be working with the misdemeanor trial team, the arraignment court deputy, the insurance fraud prosecution units, the treatment court deputy, the juvenile prosecution unit, and the truancy team.

John will begin his new assignment on March 27, 2016, after the retirement of Gordon Auchincloss on March 28, 2016. Cindy began her new assignment on March 7, 2016.

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