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Santa Barbara County District Attorney Joyce E. Dudley is pleased to announce the appointment of Kelly Scott to the position of Chief Deputy District Attorney for the Santa Maria Office. She will replace retiring Chief Deputy Jerry Lulejian.

Kelly comes to the District Attorney's Office after eight years with the Santa Barbara County Counsel's Office where she represented the Sheriff and District Attorney. At County Counsel, she specialized in civil rights litigation and was in-house counsel to the Sheriff's Office for the past six years. She began her legal career as a civil litigator for the California Department of Transportation where she tried cases involving dangerous conditions of public property, inverse condemnation, eminent domain and employment law.

As part of her new responsibilities, Kelly will oversee real estate fraud, consumer and environmental criminal and civil prosecutions county-wide, and will supervise the Lompoc Office operations, and other aspects of the Santa Maria Office.

District Attorney Joyce E Dudley stated, "Kelly's experience as a civil attorney will bring a unique perspective to our office. Her passion for justice and hard work will benefit us all." Kelly added, "I am deeply honored and extremely excited to have been selected for this position. I look forward to fulfilling the mission of the District Attorney's Office and working closely with my colleagues throughout the County."

Kelly grew up in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and came to California to attend Pepperdine University where she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English. She went on to obtain her law degree from Pepperdine University, College of Law.



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