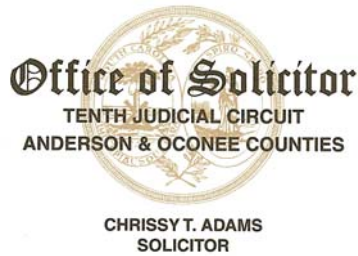


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**PRESS RELEASE: SOLICITOR CHRISSEY ADAMS ANNOUNCES
THE BEGINNING OF JUVENILE DRUG COURT IN OCONEE
COUNTY.**

In a continuing effort to focus on protecting our children and improving their future, Tenth Circuit Solicitor Chrissy Adams announces the beginning of the Juvenile Drug Court program in Oconee County. The Drug Court program provides an opportunity for kids who have become involved in criminal activity due to drug use to get their lives back on track.

The Juvenile Drug Court process includes an initial appearance before a Family Court judge followed by weekly appearances before a judge specifically designated to Drug Court. While in Drug Court, the juvenile will undergo counseling, submit to drug tests, and be monitored for compliance with any orders issued by the Court. Upon completion, a graduation ceremony takes place and the juvenile's record can be cleared.

We have been fortunate in establishing this program to have the support and cooperation of many community agencies and people. The Honorable Tim Cain, Family Court Judge, who has been so supportive and important in getting the Oconee program up and running; The Honorable Barry Knobel, Family Court Judge, who has been and continues to be a vital part of the program in Anderson County; Tasha Metcalfe, Program Director for both Anderson and Oconee Counties; Sandra Sandifer, Case Manager for Oconee County; Blair Stoudemire,

assistant solicitor; Karen Ballenger, for the defense; Anderson-Oconee Behavioral Health Services, Shannan Mckinney, treatment services; and Don Peden, for the Department of Juvenile Justice.

Recently, based upon the recommendations of both myself and the Honorable Tim Cain, Chief Justice Jean Toal completed our Oconee Juvenile Drug Court team with the appointment of David McCutcheon to preside over the Oconee County Juvenile Drug Court Program for the Tenth Judicial Circuit Family Court. We are pleased and honored to welcome David to our program. David McCutcheon has long been an asset to Oconee County through his work as the Director of the Oconee County United Way and his many civic and volunteer activities. David has worked with the Guardian ad Litem program, Tenth Circuit Juvenile Arbitration program, served on Walhalla City Council, and participated in many other programs and activities which have contributed to our community in the past.

Many thanks go out to the existing team and those members of the community who have offered their support and assistance in beginning the Oconee Juvenile Drug Court program.

Tenth Circuit Solicitor Chrissy Adams