

Lambright hires three assistant county attorneys

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Adhering to his commitment of hiring the best attorneys and support staff, County Attorney JD Lambright announced the addition of three assistant county attorneys. Conroe native B.D. Griffin is the department's new chief of Real Property section, while Lana Shadwick was chosen to head up the Child and Adult Protective Services section. Stuart Hughes joins the Litigation section to defend the county in state and federal court.

"The additions I have recently made to my staff are the initial step in fulfilling my commitment to ensure that we provide prompt, expert legal advice and services to our clients," Lambright said.

In addition to the three attorneys, Natalie Kamps transferred from the 9th state District Court and serves as the administrative manager for the County Attorney's Office. Diana McGrath and Carla Thames, who together bring 40 years of experience as legal assistants, are supporting attorneys in the Child/Adult Protective Services and Litigation sections, respectively. The additions are the result of Lambright's election as county attorney in 2012. He was sworn in Jan. 1.

Here's a brief summary of each of the new assistant county attorneys:

- B.D. Griffin, 55, is board certified in commercial and residential real estate law for 15 of his 28 years of practice. A Conroe High graduate, Griffin is married (wife Chevis) and has four children. "I feel very fortunate to be able to contribute to the success of my home by joining the County Attorney's Office," Griffin said.
- Born in Houston, Lana Shadwick served as an associate judge in the Harris County Family Court and as an attorney in the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services' Office of General Counsel. She has a degree from Baylor in Family Studies and Child Development. Shadwick has a son and a daughter.
- Stuart Hughes is a graduate of Baylor and South Texas College of Law. He has been in private practice the past three years, but he spent six years prior to that in the District Attorney's Offices in Walker and Montgomery counties. Married, with two young sons, Hughes is "thrilled" to represent Montgomery County. "I'm ready to hit the ground running," he said.