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EXECUTIVE ORDER

Designating State's Prosecutor

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Governor of the State of Colorado and, in particular, Colorado Revised Statute § 24-31-101(1)(a), I, Jared Polis, Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby issue this Executive Order designating Phil Weiser, Attorney General for the State of Colorado, as the State's prosecutor, to investigate and prosecute potential criminal activity involving the elected district attorney in Colorado's 13th Judicial District.

I. Background and Purpose

The Governor is aware of allegations of misconduct and potential criminal activity involving the elected district attorney for the 13th Judicial District. The district attorney for the 14th Judicial District conducted a preliminary investigation into these allegations and concluded that further investigation is warranted. The conduct of elected officials is a matter of statewide importance, as is the integrity of the offices of the twenty-two elected district attorneys responsible for prosecuting crimes in our state. The Governor therefore finds that it is necessary for the Attorney General to act as the State's prosecutor and investigate and, where the evidence permits, prosecute potential criminal activity involving the elected district attorney for the 13th Judicial District.

II. Directive

I hereby appoint Phil Weiser, Attorney General for the State of Colorado, to be the State's prosecutor and direct him to take all necessary actions to investigate and prosecute, on behalf of the State of Colorado, all potential crimes relating to misconduct by 13th Judicial District Attorney.

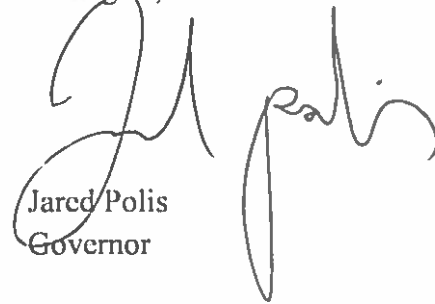


III. Duration

This appointment and this Executive Order shall expire upon completion of the Attorney General's investigation and prosecution related to the matters herein, unless modified or terminated by Executive Order of the Governor.



GIVEN under my hand and the
Executive Seal of the State of
Colorado, this fifteenth day
of August, 2019.


Jared Polis
Governor