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Steve Graham Sworn in as Emmet County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney



With right hand raised, new Emmet County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Steve Graham listens as Judge Charles Johnson administers the Oath of Office during Graham's swearing in May 11.

The Emmet County Prosecuting Attorney's Office has added a new assistant prosecutor to its staff, filling a vacancy created with the governor's appointment of former assistant prosecutor Angela Lasher to the 90th District Court bench in February.

Emmet County native Stephen B. Graham, Jr., was sworn in as assistant prosecutor Monday afternoon, May 11, by the Honorable Charles W. Johnson, chief judge of the 57th Circuit Court.

Graham, a Harbor Springs High School graduate, has lived in Emmet County all his life. After graduating from Western Michigan University in 1985, he went on to earn his Juris Doctor degree from Cooley Law School in 1988.

Graham has been in private practice since 1998, handling a variety of criminal and domestic relations matters. During his decades as a private attorney, he's become experienced in dealing with cases of divorce, custody, child support,

adoption, juvenile delinquency, abuse and neglect, and other general civil cases. He has tried cases in Emmet County courtrooms and served as trial counsel in a number of area counties, including Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Chippewa, Luce, Presque Isle, Mackinac, and Otsego.

"When the position opened up in the Prosecutor's Office, I thought now would be a good time to try something different," said Graham when asked what prompted him to apply for the job. "With my years of experience in private practice, I felt I could offer some new perspectives in dealing with the work of the prosecutor's office."

Prosecuting Attorney James Linderman agreed. "I believe Steve's background will bring another perspective to our office that will strengthen our ability to hold offenders accountable and keep our community safe," Linderman said. "We're happy to have Steve join our team here and know his years of practicing law in the local area will immediately benefit Emmet County with the wide array of legal functions the Prosecuting Attorney's Office handles each day."

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