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Attorney General Slatery announces Jonathan Skrmetti as Chief Deputy

Attorney General Herbert H. Slatery III today announced Jonathan T. Skrmetti will join the Attorney General's office as the Chief Deputy in January.

In his role as Chief Deputy Attorney General, Skrmetti will coordinate and oversee the substantive legal work of all five sections of the office.

“Jonathan Skrmetti’s extensive experience in both complex civil disputes and high-profile criminal matters during his public service makes him a great fit for our leadership team,” said Attorney General Herbert H. Slatery. “In addition, his expertise as a federal prosecutor and subject matter expert in Cyberlaw and data security will be especially valuable to this office and the people of Tennessee.”

Skrmetti joins the office from Memphis where he has been a partner with Butler Snow LLP, an adjunct professor at the University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law, and an Assistant United States Attorney for the Western District of Tennessee. In that role he investigated and prosecuted civil rights crimes and white-collar offenses.

Prior to his time in Memphis, Skrmetti served as a trial attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice and a Special Assistant in the United States Attorney's Office in DC. He also clerked for the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals assisting the Hon. Steven M. Colloton.

Skrmetti graduated from Harvard Law School where he was the Editor-in-Chief of the Harvard Journal of Law & Public Policy. He also earned degrees from George Washington University and the University of Oxford.

He is happily married to Alisha, and the proud father of Sam and Sadie Ann.

