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Shelby County Public Defender Will Represent West Tennessee on State Board

Wednesday, October 29, 2014 – Assistant Shelby County Public Defender, Eric Elms, has been selected as a West Tennessee representative for the board of directors of the Tennessee Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers (TACDL).

Elms was chosen for his work as a lawyer in Shelby County's Drug Court and his efforts to promote the local Memphis chapter of TACDL.

TACDL is a non-profit organization that provides education, training and support to the lawyers representing people accused of crime. The association also advocates fair and effective criminal justice in the courts and legislature.

"The experience and insight gained from his work with the Shelby County Public Defender's Office will benefit the defense bar across the state," said Suanne Bone, Executive Director of TACDL. "We look forward to Eric's service and the engagement of all the Public Defenders in Shelby County."

Elms will serve a 3-year term on the board. He joins fellow assistant Shelby County Public Defender, Kamilah Turner, who is serving her third year on the TACDL Board of Directors.

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