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Press Release

Michael W. Morrissey Begins His Third Term as Norfolk District Attorney

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Secretary of State William Galvin swore-in Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey to begin his third 4-year term in office in the main courtroom of Norfolk Superior Court in Dedham on January 2, 2019.



Following his own swearing-in by the Secretary of State, Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey, center, swore in his more than 60 assistant DAs.

Secretary of State William F. Galvin came to the Norfolk Superior Court in Dedham last Wednesday to swear-in Michael W. Morrissey as the Norfolk District Attorney.

"As society evolves, so do the demands it places on the justice system," District Attorney Morrissey said after being sworn in for his third 4-year term in the office. "What does not change is our dedication to the victims of crime who turn to police and the courts for their safety, and ultimately for justice."

Morrissey said that working closely with the municipal police departments across the county, providing training and support wherever possible, will continue to be a central facet of his administration. During his eight years in office, Morrissey has funded training in investigating motor vehicle homicides, human trafficking, collaborative problem solving, administering the opiate overdose reversal drug naloxone, and several other subjects for municipal police, fire and other and local officials.

"We know and respect the challenges our local police departments face. We work inside and outside the courtroom to support the good work they do," Morrissey said. "We also try to work as closely as possible with our school departments, providing training and resources that can help them maintain positive school communities and safe school facilities."

After taking his own oath in the main courtroom of the Superior Court, District Attorney Morrissey turned to the more than 60 attorneys who work for him and administered to them the oath that allows them to represent the Commonwealth in criminal matters.

That oath concluded shortly after 8:30 a.m. – a half hour before the morning call in the county's five district courts. "Congratulations," Morrissey said to his line prosecutors. "Now go to work."