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## **Cherokee County Investigator Dan Combs** Named Investigator of the Year by the District Attorneys' Association of Georgia

July 24, 2019 – Dan Combs, an investigator for the Cherokee County District Attorney's Office, was recently named Investigator of the Year for Division 2 by the District Attorneys' Association of Georgia. Combs was one of three investigators from across the state who were honored this week at the Prosecuting Attorneys' Council (PAC) of Georgia annual summer conference.

"These individuals serve our justice system with dignity, honor, and respect each and every day. We are extremely proud of their hard work and dedication to the prosecution profession," said PAC Executive Director Pete Skandalakis.

Currently assigned to the Domestic Violence Unit in the Cherokee County District Attorney's Office, Combs focuses solely on cases involving intimate partner violence and other serious family violence felonies. The unit handles cases ranging from strangulation to malice murder.

"Dan is the glue that keeps our unit together. He always manages to be professional while handling a very large caseload that comes with unique difficulties," said Deputy Chief Assistant District Attorney Ashley Snow.

Combs has 20 years of experience in law enforcement. He has been with the District Attorney's Office for six years. Previously, he was a deputy for the Cherokee Sheriff's Office and a police officer for the city of Canton. He is also a U.S. Air Force veteran. During his law enforcement career, Combs has received more than 3,000 hours of training, including specific training in homicide and domestic violence investigations.

"Dan is a crucial part of our Domestic Violence Unit," said Cherokee County District Attorney Shannon Wallace. "Besides being an extremely experienced investigator, Dan consistently goes above and beyond to ensure justice for our victims."

The Prosecuting Attorneys' Council of Georgia (PAC) is the overarching judicial branch government agency supporting Georgia prosecutors and their staff, which includes 49 District Attorney Offices (primarily felony cases) and 65 Solicitor-General Offices (only misdemeanor cases).

The Office of the District Attorney for the Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit is committed to seeking justice, acting with integrity, and collaborating with partner agencies in the criminal justice system in order to protect the citizens of Cherokee County and the State of Georgia.

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