

**DA JOHN BELTON
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**

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On May 1, 2026, Third Judicial District Attorney John Belton swore in Cary Brown as an Assistant District Attorney for Lincoln and Union Parishes.

Brown brings 22 years of trial and prosecution experience to the position. District Attorney Belton stated, "I am proud to announce that Cary will be coming on board as an Assistant District Attorney for the Third Judicial District. Cary has built a reputation as a fair and committed prosecutor. I am certain that his ability and determination will prove to be a valuable asset to our office."

A native of Ruston, Brown is a proud graduate of Ruston High School. He graduated with a Criminal Justice Degree from the University of Southern Mississippi with honors and obtained his Juris Doctorate degree from Mississippi College. He has previously served as a prosecutor in Lincoln, Union, Claiborne, Jackson, and Bienville Parishes. Additionally, Brown has served as Instructor of Business Law at Louisiana Tech University and has maintained a private law practice in Ruston for the past twenty years. Brown currently serves as the prosecutor for the City of Ruston and was recently appointed to the Assistant District Attorney Board of Directors for the Louisiana District Attorney's Association.

"I am excited for the opportunity to work alongside my friend John Belton and with our law enforcement partners to help keep our community safe. I am committed to serving the public in my new role. Criminals will be held responsible for their actions and the rights of everyone, in particular the victims of crimes, will be upheld," Brown stated.

Beyond the courtroom, Cary has demonstrated leadership across civic, educational and charitable organizations. Cary is a former President of both the Rotary Club of Ruston and the Ruston Jaycees; a graduate of Leadership Louisiana; Past President of the Lincoln Parish Bar Association; Delegate to the Louisiana Bar Association; advisory Board Member to Life Choices of North Central Louisiana; member of the Council for a Better Louisiana; former Peach Festival Volunteer; active member of the Union Chamber of Commerce; former Board Member of the Bayou D'arbonne Watershed District; former Board Member of the Bearcat Football Club; a longtime volunteer with local nonprofits such as Habitat for Humanity, DART (Domestic Abuse Resistance Team), investment committee member for the United Way; Red Cross volunteer during Hurricanes Gustav and Ike; and local volunteer for youth sports.

Cary and his wife Robyn, owner of Heritage Realty Group, have been married for 26 years and are the proud parents of Garrett (24), Hasson (21), and Brooks (18). The Browns are founding members of the Bridge Community Church.