

# First Quarter Update from the Commonwealth's Attorney

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# Goals

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**ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN  
TRUST AND  
PROFESSIONALISM IN THE  
OFFICE**



**ESTABLISH TRUST AND  
RAPPORT WITH  
STAKEHOLDERS**



**BEGIN FULFILLING  
CAMPAIGN PROMISES**

# Four Core Functions

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**Priorities and  
Policies**

**Community  
Engagement**

**Advocacy**

**Management**

# Priorities and Policies

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**Cash Bail: ineffective, unfair, and unsuccessful.**



**Redirect our focus to more serious cases that have a direct impact on improving public safety.**



**Providing full, fair, and early discovery.**

# Priorities and Policies

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**Youth Diversion**



**Restorative Justice**



**Behavioral Health Docket**

# Community Engagement

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**COVID**



**Juror Participation**



**Sexual Assault  
Response Team**

# Managing the Office

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**Improving  
Technology**



**Vertical  
Prosecution**



**Training**



**Prison Visit**

# Policy Advocacy

- Criminal Justice Reform for Youth
- Marijuana Reform
- Writ of Actual Innocence
- Informed Juries



# Criminal Justice Reform for Youth

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I fought against the criminalization of children.



Beginning July 1, **the age at which a child can be tried as an adult has been increased from 14 years to 16 years age.**

# Criminal Justice Reform for Youth

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I advocated to keep children out of the criminal justice system.



Beginning July 1, **students cannot be found guilty of disorderly conduct if the incident occurs on school property.**

# Criminal Justice Reform for Youth

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I advocated for juveniles serving life sentences to be eligible for parole.



Beginning July 1, **juveniles will be eligible for parole after serving 20 years.**

# Marijuana Reform

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I advocated for marijuana legalization and regulation.



Beginning July 1, **simple marijuana possession is decriminalized.**

# Writ of Actual Innocence

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I fought for innocent people convicted of crimes they did not commit to have a stronger mechanism to prove their innocence in court.



Beginning July 1, **the innocent will have more mechanisms to prove their innocence.**

# Informed Juries

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I advocated for juries to be better informed when hearing cases.



Beginning July 1, **the court and counsel for either party in a criminal case can inform any potential juror as to the potential range of punishments to determine if the person or juror can sit impartially in the sentencing phase of the case.**

# What the Future Holds?

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