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## Texas Office of the Attorney General Names State Office Child Support Employee Assistant Attorney General of the Year Cheryl Schultz was singled out as the region's top attorney for her dedication to Texas children

Austin – The Office of the Attorney General recognized Cheryl Schultz, an Assistant Attorney General (AAG) in the Child Support Division's headquarters office in Austin, for her commitment to Texas children. Schultz was named Assistant Attorney General of the Year for the Child Support Division's main office. She was presented with the award on Monday, August 1, 2022, at the Statewide Assistant Attorneys General Virtual Conference.

"I commend Cheryl for her hard work and dedication to improving the lives of Texas children and families," Attorney General Paxton said. "Cheryl represents the best, and it is attorneys like her that make this agency great. I am thankful to her for answering the call to serve the people of Texas."

One Assistant Attorney General was selected for this honor from each of the state's ten child support regions, along with an Assistant Attorney General from the Child Support Division headquarters office in Austin. Honorees are chosen based on recommendations from their peers and supervisors, focusing on employees willing to go beyond their normal duties to serve Texas children. Each recipient demonstrates a desire to serve Texas families, help their colleagues, and enhance the Attorney General's Child Support Division.

Schultz, who joined the Office of the Attorney General in 2011, represents the State of Texas in legal actions to establish paternity between children of unmarried parents and their biological fathers. She also works to establish, enforce, and modify court orders requiring parents to provide child support, medical support, and dental support.

A graduate of Baylor Law School, Schultz was chosen as the region's Assistant Attorney General of the Year for being an exemplary attorney, willing trainer, and strong leader. She has demonstrated the willingness to take on any task and provide wise legal direction to her coworkers. She has earned a reputation as a reliable leader.

"Having known Cheryl since our days in Region 5, I can say that she is one of the most committed attorneys with whom I have had the opportunity to work. Cheryl possesses a keen mind and strong, insightful knowledge of the law, but her passion for what she does and her devotion to ensuring her students learn what she has to offer set her at a very high level. She is



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one of those people to whom a task can be handed with full knowledge that it will get done and done well," said Charles Whitehead, Director of Training.

The Attorney General's Child Support Division offers an array of services to help families, including locating absent parents; establishing paternity for children born to unmarried parents; establishing, enforcing and modifying child and medical support orders; and collecting and distributing child support payments.

For more information about the Office of the Attorney General and the child support services it offers, call (800) 252-8014 or visit the agency's website at <u>www.texasattorneygeneral.gov</u>.

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