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Former District Attorney Grant Jones Endorses Jana Duty

GEORGETOWN, TX – Today former District Attorney Grant Jones announced his endorsement of Jana Duty for Williamson County District Attorney. Jones served as the District Attorney of Nueces, Kleberg and Kenedy counties from 1983 to 1991. Jones and his wife are in the process of re-locating and will soon be new residents of Sun City in Georgetown.

Jones said he has strong reasons for endorsing Duty. “When a prosecutor takes office he takes an oath that he will preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States. The Code of Criminal Procedure imposes a statutory duty on prosecutors ‘It shall be the primary duty of all prosecuting attorneys, including any special prosecutors, not to convict, but to see that justice is done’. The official oath is not just a formality and the words from the Code of Criminal Procedure are not just words on paper. The Morton Case raises a serious question as to whether the incumbent was faithful to his statutory duty and his oath of office. Cases like Morton create disrespect for the law and raise serious concerns about the integrity of the criminal justice system. We don’t need this.”

Jones went on to say “That is why I am extremely pleased to see Jana Duty enter this race. I believe Jana Duty is a person of high personal integrity and is committed to the cause of justice. She understands that law enforcement is not automatic, that it isn’t blind or arbitrary, and that the truth matters. As County Attorney Jana Duty has proven herself to be an able attorney and administrator and is well qualified for the office she seeks.”

Duty said of the endorsement, “I’m really pleased to hear that Mr. Jones is moving to our community, and I want to thank him for his support and his commitment to justice. When I first began this race, I assumed that I wouldn’t receive any endorsements. John Bradley has a long track record of using fear and intimidation to keep his opponents silent, and he’s been trying to strong arm the law enforcement community into withdrawing their support. I’m glad they are sticking to their guns, because it sends a strong signal that business-as-usual will no longer be tolerated.”

Jones, a native of Corpus Christi, had a distinguished career as a prosecutor. He was also a Staff Attorney for Thirteenth Court of Appeals, he is a member of the Corpus Christi Bar Association and he is Board Certified in Criminal Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

Duty adds Jones’ endorsement to a growing list of support in the law enforcement community. She has also received the endorsement of the Williamson County Sheriff’s Association, the Cedar Park Police Association and former Williamson County District Attorney Ed Walsh.

To find out more or to join the campaign, please visit www.JanaDuty.com.