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**Ms. Katrina Merkle Appointed as
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney**



DAYTON, OH (12/14/2015) – Montgomery County Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced that Ms. Katrina Merkle has been appointed to the position of Assistant Montgomery County Prosecuting Attorney.

Ms. Merkle received her law degree from the University of Dayton School of Law in 2015. She received her undergrad degree from Wright State University in 2012, majoring in political science.

Prior to joining the prosecutor's office, she worked as an OVI and traffic defense attorney.

Katrina will be assigned to the Child Protection Unit of the Prosecutor's Office. The Child Protection Unit intervenes to protect, and in some cases remove, abused and neglected children. Representing the Montgomery County Department of Job and Family Services, the Unit prosecutes complaints requesting protective supervision, temporary custody, legal custody, and permanent custody. Whenever law enforcement removes a child from a dangerous environment, the Child Protection Unit is involved.

Originally from Blanchester, Ohio, Katrina currently lives in Dayton.

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