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ATTORNEY GENERAL COOPER NAMES NEW POLICY DEPUTY

Tennessee Attorney General Bob Cooper today announced that Lawrence Harrington will join the Attorney General's Office as Chief Policy Deputy. He will work on special projects and policy initiatives as well as oversee legislative relations and communications strategies.

“I am pleased that Larry will fill this new position,” Attorney General Cooper said. “His unique combination of legal, financial and government experience makes him an exceptional fit for this job. He is an excellent addition to our executive team.”

A graduate of Vanderbilt Law School and MTSU, Harrington recently finished an assignment in Mexico City, Mexico, where he served as Representative for the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), the leading regional multi-lateral finance institution in Latin America.

The Jackson, Tenn. native has worked in both the public and private sector. He was twice appointed by the President and confirmed by the U.S. Senate as an Executive Director of the IDB and the Inter-American Investment Corporation. In 2002 he was appointed as a public policy scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for International Scholars, an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution.

He was counsel, legislative assistant, and political advisor to Al Gore during his tenure in the Congress and in various campaigns. In addition to positions on Capitol Hill, Harrington practiced law at Hawkins, Delafield and Wood and worked as a business consultant.

Harrington, 54, is married to Lisa Quigley, and they have two children.

“I am really honored to be part of the Attorney General's team and excited to be back in Tennessee,” Harrington said. “I look forward to working with General Cooper and the really fine lawyers he has on his staff.”