

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE REPORT
2017 Legislative Session

Reference No.: County Attorney Appointment

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Committee: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

05/16/2017

Action: FAV

REPORT: Favorable 9-0 (In Favor: Council Members Davis, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Lehman, Patterson, Taveras, Turner and Toles,)

The County Council met as the Committee of the Whole to consider the appointment of Jared M. McCarthy, Esq. to become County Attorney.

Mr. McCarthy has been an attorney serving the citizens of Prince George's County for the past 10 years and currently serves as Acting County Attorney. Mr. McCarthy is a resident of Upper Marlboro and most recently served as Deputy County Attorney. Previously he served as Associate General Counsel at the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

Mr. McCarthy is a 1998 graduate of Salisbury State University. In 2001 Mr. McCarthy graduated with a Juris Doctorate degree from the University of Baltimore School of Law. He is a member of the Maryland State Bar Association, the Prince George's County Bar Association and the District of Columbia Bar Association.

During the deliberations on the nomination, Mr. McCarthy spoke about the role of the County Attorney and the need to serve both the Executive and Legislative branches of government.

Council members also expressed their need to have confidence and trust in the County's chief legal officer.

After discussion, the County Council, sitting as the Committee of the Whole, voted to send this appointment to the full Council, favorably 9-0.