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Office of Attorney General Anthony Brown to Receive a 2024 *Empowering Women Award* from The Daily Record

BALTIMORE, MD (October 22, 2024) – Attorney General Anthony Brown is proud to announce The Daily Record has named the Maryland Office of the Attorney General (OAG) as a recipient of a 2024 Empowering Women Award. Empowering Women award winners will be honored at The Daily Record’s Annual Women’s Leadership Summit on today, Tuesday, October 22, 2024, at the University of Maryland, Baltimore, SMC Campus Center located at 621 West Lombard Street in Baltimore City.

The Daily Record Empowering Women Award recognizes companies and organizations that show a strong commitment to supporting and elevating women in Maryland, according to the organization, and honors organizations who demonstrate a track record of hiring and promoting women; support programs to mentor women in their organizations and address inequalities; show a strong record of women in leadership positions; and establish DEI programs and philanthropic efforts to support women. The award follows the OAG’s acceptance of an Access to Justice Award from the Women’s Law Center of Maryland this past May.

The Office of the Attorney General is committed to empowering its employees by actively hiring and promoting women to leadership roles across the agency. Women occupy some of the most significant and impactful positions, both within our central divisions and in state agency client units across Maryland government. These leadership roles include, but are not limited to, women who lead our legal efforts as Principal Counsel, Deputy Principal Counsel, Division Chiefs, Unit Chiefs, and their deputies. Additionally, women serve in key leadership positions in our operations and administrative teams. Some examples across OAG’s footprint include:

Chief Deputy Attorney General
Deputy Attorney General
Chief of the Office of Equity, Policy, and Engagement
Antitrust Division Chief
Criminal Division Chief
Securities Commissioner
Human Resources Director

Budget and Fiscal Services Director
Communications Director
Professional and Organizational Development Director
Principal Counsel, OAG-Maryland Department of the Environment
Principal Counsel, OAG-Maryland Department of Health
Principal Counsel, OAG- Maryland Office of the Comptroller
Principal Counsel, OAG-Maryland State Treasurer's Office
Principal Counsel, OAG-Maryland General Assembly
Principal Counsel, OAG-Maryland Department of General Services
Principal Counsel, OAG-Maryland Department of Service and Civic Innovation

Attorney General Brown believes that a diverse workforce fosters innovation, creativity, and success. This commitment is reflected in our comprehensive hiring and promotion strategies and initiatives designed to ensure women are well represented at all levels of our organization.

"Empowering women at every level of our office is a priority of my Administration. By hiring, promoting, and mentoring women, we ensure that Maryland's legal services reflect the strength and voices of all Marylanders," **said Attorney General Brown**. "We're honored to be recognized for cultivating an office where women are positioned to lead and thrive."

Attorney General Brown's mission of equity, justice, and fairness extends beyond the walls of the Office of the Attorney General through the more than 900 staff members of the OAG who work on behalf of millions of Marylanders, like the Office's new Civil Rights Division. That Division brought its first case this summer – a gender-based discrimination housing case against a landlord who was preying upon women and demanding sex for rent. Another example of that commitment came shortly after Attorney General Brown entered office when he created the Office of Equity, Policy, and Engagement (OEPE), which is led by a woman and is directed to develop strategies, initiatives, and policies that promote equity in OAG's work and initiatives.

The Office of the Attorney General extends warm congratulations to all other Empowering Women honorees this year.

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