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Kendel Ehrlich hired in Anne Arundel prosecutor's office



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Former Md. First Lady Kendel Ehrlich has a new job: Anne Arundel Co. assistant state's attorney

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Former Maryland First Lady Kendel Ehrlich has been hired as an assistant state's attorney in Anne Arundel County.

Anne Arundel State's Attorney Wes Adams announced Thursday that Ehrlich will work on cases in drug court, a supervised program that aims to keep drug offenders out of jail while helping them become sober.

Ehrlich's legal experience includes working as a public defender in Anne Arundel County, as an assistant state's attorney in Harford County and as a criminal law instructor at Anne Arundel Community College.

"She has tremendous experience and a deep passion for our community. I am confident she will do a great job with our non-violent drug offenders," Adams said in a statement.

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Ehrlich will be sworn into office on Oct. 29.

Ehrlich is married to Robert L. Ehrlich Jr., a Republican who served as Maryland's 60th governor from 2003 through 2007. He's now an attorney with the King & Spalding firm.

Kendel Ehrlich briefly held political ambitions of her own, unsuccessfully vying to replace John R. Leopold in 2013 after he resigned as Anne Arundel County executive following his conviction on charges of misconduct in office.

The Ehrlichs and their two sons live in Annapolis.

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