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SECRETARY LANDRY ANNOUNCES STAFF PROMOTIONS AND NEW HIRES

BATON ROUGE, La. — Secretary of State Nancy Landry is proud to announce several new hires and promotions within the Louisiana Department of State. Shanda Jones will serve as Chief of Staff in addition to her role as Undersecretary of Management and Finance, while Quincy Mouton, who formerly served the Department of State as Small Business Liaison, has been promoted to Deputy Secretary for geauxBIZ. Chip Coulter and Elisabeth Daigle, both newcomers to the office, will serve as the department’s Legislative Liaison and Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance Officer, respectively.

“I am incredibly pleased to announce Shanda and Quincy’s well-deserved promotions, and welcome Chip and Elisabeth to our agency. They each bring a tremendous amount of unique experience and specialized knowledge to their respective roles,” Landry said. “I am proud to count these outstanding professionals among our amazing staff who tirelessly serve the people of Louisiana with honor and integrity, day in and day out.”

Jones began working for the State of Louisiana in 1995 and has been with the Secretary of State’s office since 2005. She previously served as head of the Accounting Division and was named Undersecretary of Management and Finance in 2018. That same year, she received the Dunbar Career Civil Service Award for her outstanding public service.

Mouton practiced law at a civil litigation firm representing small businesses, municipalities, and their insurers before joining the Department of State as the Small Business Liaison. In that role, he focused on initiatives that support small businesses and reduce regulations. He is currently a member of the705, a young professionals organization, and he serves as a member of advisory groups focused on small business issues.

Coulter brings years of experience in state government to the Legislative Liaison role, including serving as assistant executive counsel for a previous governor, special counsel to the Louisiana Supreme Court, two stints at the Louisiana Department of Justice, and, most recently, serving as Director of Governmental Affairs for the Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services.

Daigle began practicing law at the Louisiana Department of Justice in the Solicitor General's Office as the inaugural E.D. White Fellow. She then served as Assistant General Counsel for 40 Days for Life, an international non-profit, and, most recently, she was the Communications Director for Attorney General Liz Murrill's campaign.

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