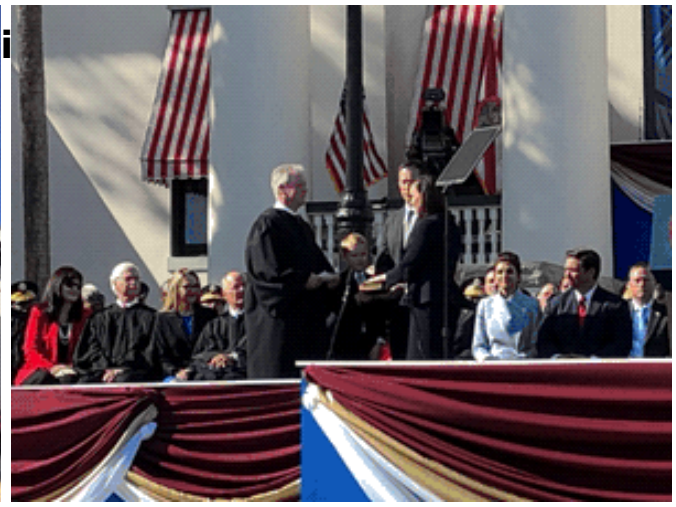
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Hello Floridians! I am so honored to be your 38th Attorney General. This first week has been an amazing experience that I will never forget. I look forward to the many hard-working days ahead serving our great state.

Taking the oath of office this week was one of the most special moments in my life—to have my dad, James S. Moody, Jr., a Senior United States District Judge in the Middle District of Florida, swear me in on a beautiful January morning. It was even more special to take the oath of office on the same Bible that my grandfather, James S. Moody, Sr., took the oath of office on when he was sworn in as a judge over 60 years ago.



I also had my loving husband Justin and my wonderful nine-year-old son Connor by my side. Five days before the inauguration, Connor watched his older brother Brandon begin his service in the United States Army. I missed Brandon being with us, but I am so very proud of him.

I know we have a lot of work to do and I promise I take this role very seriously. As your chief legal officer, I will seek justice for all Floridians, defend the rule of law and protect our state and citizens from crime and fraud. I also want to tackle the opioid epidemic, fight human trafficking, support our law enforcement, stand up to elder abuse, evaluate how we handle mental health in our court systems, and much much more.

I also look forward to building relationships with Governor Ron DeSantis and my fellow Cabinet members, Chief Financial Officer Jimmy Patronis and Agriculture Commissioner Nikki Fried as we work towards a better, safer Florida.

As I take on this new role, I promise to protect Floridians, defend the rights of the people, and display an unwavering commitment to the rule of law. Of course, none of this would be possible without the Floridians who voted me into office and entrusted me to serve as Florida’s Attorney General. I want to thank each of you for giving me this opportunity and I assure you that I will work hard every day to deserve this honor.



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Protecting Floridians

Attorney General Moody Recognizes Human Trafficking Prevention Month



January is Human Trafficking Prevention Month, and Attorney General Ashley Moody is raising awareness to fight human trafficking. Attorney General Moody encourages all Floridians to take an active role to help combat this modern-day slavery.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, “Human trafficking is a plague that we cannot give up on combating in our state and nationwide. It is appalling anyone would engage in acts that take away people’s basic human rights. As your Attorney General and Chair of the Statewide Council on Human Trafficking, I will continue to work with federal, state and local partnerships to continue the fight to end human trafficking.”

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Attorney General Moody to Serve on the Executive Committee of the National Association of Attorneys General

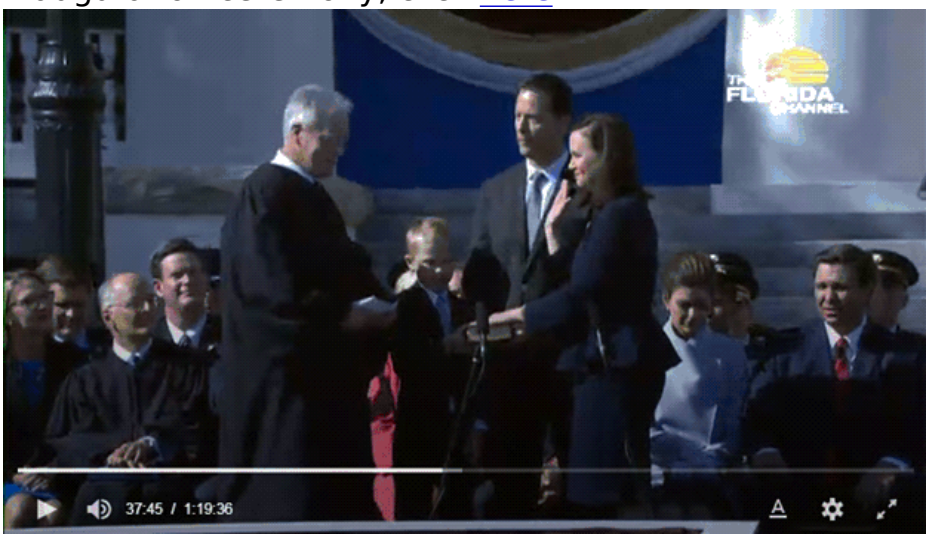


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General Ashley Moody named one of 10 attorneys general nationally to serve on the National Association of Attorneys General Executive Committee to help lead the bipartisan association. NAAG is made up of all 56 attorneys general from the United States and territories and facilitates the collaboration and execution of national bipartisan efforts among the state attorneys general. Read More

Events

Attorney General Ashley Moody taking the oath of office this week, becoming Florida’s 38th Attorney General on Inauguration Day. To watch the entire inauguration ceremony, click here.





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Attorney General Moody visiting with Andrew Pollock and her Director of Law Enforcement Relations Emery Gainey.



Attorney General Moody alongside members of her executive staff following the Inauguration in the Attorney General’s office.



Pictured left to right: Government Affairs Director Dan Olson, General Counsel Richard Martin, Attorney General Moody, Chief Deputy Attorney General John Guard, Director of Law Enforcement Relations Emery Gainey, and Statewide Prosecutor Nick Cox

Attorney General Moody swearing in Statewide Prosecutor Nick Cox, alongside the Attorney General’s father, James S. Moody Jr., a Senior United States District Judge in the Middle District of Florida.



Attorney General Moody taking part in the first Florida Cabinet and Clemency meeting of 2019, along with Governor Ron DeSantis, Chief Financial Officer Jimmy Patronis and Commissioner of Agriculture Nikki Fried.




Ashley Moody
Ron DeSantis
Governor
Jimmy Patronis
Chief Financial Officer

Attorney General Moody assisting Governor DeSantis to announce new Florida Supreme Court Justice Barbara Lagoa. To watch the full announcement, click here.



Attorney General Moody meeting with U.S. Senator Marco Rubio in Tallahassee earlier this week.



Attorney General Moody visiting the Florida Highway Patrol Troop Headquarters in Miami to recognize National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. In a news conference, the FHP celebrated the return and recovery of Trooper Carlos Rosario from a devastating car accident in March 2017.



Pictured left to right: Attorney General Moody, Trooper Rosario and former Lt. Governor Carlos Lopez-Cantera