



"The Countrie it selfe, I must
confesse is a very pleasant
land,
rich in commodities;
and fertile in soyle. . ."
- Samuel Argall, ca. 1609

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Brian J. Smalls of Williamsburg, Virginia has been appointed Special Prosecutor for the County of Surry, Virginia by W. Allen Sharrett, Chief Judge for the 6th Judicial Circuit. Mr. Smalls will perform the duties of the Commonwealth's Attorney in all Surry County courts, effective immediately, until Gerald G. Poindexter, who currently holds this position is able to attend to his duties. Mr. Poindexter has served as Commonwealth's Attorney for the County of Surry, Virginia since January 1996. He also served as County Attorney for the County of Surry for 32 years until 2006. Mr. Poindexter's term expires on December 31, 2015 and he is not a candidate for re-election.

Two local attorneys, Henry A. Thompson and Derek A. Davis have qualified to run for this office.

Mr. Smalls, a native of Williamsburg, Virginia, is a 2003 graduate of the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Michigan and a 2006 graduate of the University of Miami School of Law in Coral Gables, Florida. He worked as an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney in the City of Newport News, Virginia for 5 years where he had significant trial experience in the General District Courts, Circuit Courts and the Supreme Court of Virginia. He has been engaged in the private practice of law since 2012, specializing in litigation in the areas of estate planning, business law, criminal law and family law. He will continue his private practice while serving as Special Prosecutor for the County of Surry. Mr. Smalls is no stranger to Surry County as he has many relative who reside in the County.

"Surry is Something Special"