



**HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE**  
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**Hamilton County Commission Confirms Janie Varnell  
as Incoming County Attorney**



**HAMILTON COUNTY, TN (May 14, 2025)** — Today, the Hamilton County Commission confirmed Mayor Weston Wamp’s appointment of Janie Varnell to serve as the next County Attorney for Hamilton County, effective July 1, 2025.

“Janie’s extensive legal background, proven leadership, and dedication to public service make her exceptionally qualified to lead the County Attorney’s Office into its next chapter,” said Mayor Wamp. “Her appointment reflects our commitment to ensuring Hamilton County’s legal matters are handled with expertise, transparency, and accountability.”

Varnell brings over a decade of experience in both civil and criminal law. She’s practiced law at Davis & Hoss, PC, where she handled cases in local, state, and federal courts. She has also served as managing attorney for the local chapters of the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) and the Police Benevolent Association (PBA), gaining valuable experience in high-stakes legal work.

In addition to her litigation experience, Varnell has been an active public servant. She has provided six years of pro bono representation for Hamilton County Drug Recovery Court and currently serves in leadership roles within the Federal Bar Association, Chattanooga Bar Association, and Tennessee Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. She is also President of the Leadership Chattanooga Alumni Association.

Varnell currently serves as Special Advisor to the County Commission and County Mayor, supporting a smooth and effective transition into the County Attorney's Office.

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