

FROM PROSECUTOR ROMANKOW to the STAFF OF THE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

It is with mixed emotion that I am advising that I will be leaving my position as Prosecutor on or about June 17, 2013.

For almost 11 years, it has been my pleasure and honor to have worked with all of you. I have felt that this office is truly a family, not just a group of employees working together for a law enforcement agency. As I told many of you over the years, every single person at every level is as important as the other. Without each and every one of you this office would not have achieved success in so many areas.

First and foremost you have provided for the safety and security of the people of Union County and you should be proud of that. Your legacy and mine are intertwined and for that we should feel a great sense of pride.

Thank you for being kind and thoughtful to me over the years. I wish you all the best of health, happiness and personal success.

There are some accomplishments that stand out among many:

There have been too many accomplishments to outline, however several stand out, including:

- The construction of one of the finest Child Advocacy Centers in the United States. It serves as a full service location for those victimized by sexual abuse, and has given comfort to thousands of victims at very trying times.
- Construction and creation of the first County Internationally Accredited DNA Forensic Laboratory.
- The first and only “Mental Health Court” in New Jersey, and the training of hundreds of officers throughout the State on autism and mental illness.
- The work of the Gangs, Guns, Drugs, and Violent Crimes Task Force. Much of their work remains anonymous, but they have targeted and arrested hundreds of drug dealers, gang members, and violent offenders thus making the county safer.
- The implementation of the Union County Homicide Task Force - which has served as a model for other counties and has raised the solved rate for homicides to more than 70%, including one dating back to the 1970s.