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**MEMEGER SWORN IN AS U.S. ATTORNEY
FOR EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

PHILADELPHIA - Zane David Memeger was sworn in today and immediately took over his duties as the 32nd United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. Memeger was nominated by President Obama on April 14, 2010 and confirmed by the U.S. Senate on May 5, 2010.

Memeger, 45, of Swarthmore, PA, was sworn in this morning. His first official acts were to name Louis Lappen as his First Assistant United States Attorney and Virginia Gibson as Executive Assistant United States Attorney. He leads an office of 126 Assistant U.S. Attorneys and 109 support staff.

Memeger served the district as an Assistant United States Attorney from May of 1995 to September of 2006, investigating and prosecuting a variety of cases including organized crime, government fraud, financial institution fraud, violent crimes, narcotics, extortion, and commercial bribery. As a result of his work on behalf of the office, he received two commendations from FBI Director Robert S. Mueller, III. He was a member of the trial team that successfully prosecuted former Philadelphia mob boss Joseph Merlino and six of Merlino's associates.

A 1986 graduate of James Madison University and 1991 graduate of the University of Virginia School of Law, Memeger won the Robert F. Kennedy Award for Public Service in 1991. Immediately after law school, he joined the firm of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius where he worked until joining the Office of the U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. He returned to the law firm in 2006 and became a partner.

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