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BOBBY FORREST JR. ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY FOR THE SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

LITTLE ROCK, AR — Today, Bobby Forrest Jr., a native of Jacksonville, Arkansas, officially announced his candidacy for Prosecuting Attorney for Arkansas' Sixth Judicial District which covers all of Pulaski and Perry Counties.

Forrest, founder of the successful Chosen Law Group and former narcotics detective, brings a much needed perspective to the prosecutorial role—one shaped by personal experience on all sides of the justice system.

"I'm running for Prosecuting Attorney because the current system is not working," Forrest said. "We need someone in office who understands the criminal justice system from every angle. I know what it means to be a misguided teenager caught up in the system. I've served in the Army National guard and as a police officer. I've fought for justice as an attorney. I believe in accountability, and I'm committed to bringing smart justice to Pulaski and Perry Counties."

"My own family has been impacted by violence in our district," Forrest added. "The tragic murder of my sister in 2023 deepened my commitment to ending senseless violence. I know firsthand the devastation crime brings to families and communities. As Prosecuting Attorney, I'll work tirelessly to ensure justice for victims while implementing solutions that truly make our communities safer."

A Journey of Resilience and Purpose

Bobby Forrest Jr.'s story is one of extraordinary resilience. Raised in public housing by a single mother alongside three sisters, with a father who was incarcerated for most of his life, Bobby faced his own brushes with the law at ages 14 and 16. His life changed course when Judge Wiley Branton Jr. gave him a second chance—a moment that would shape his understanding of justice.

After graduating from Jacksonville High School, Forrest enlisted in the Army National Guard as a Military Police Officer while pursuing a degree in Criminal Justice. He later joined the Jacksonville Police Department, serving the very community he grew up in. During his tenure,

he received three Letters of Commendation for saving lives, including during the pursuit of a [hijacked school bus full of children](#). At just 22 years old, he became an undercover narcotics detective, witnessing firsthand the devastation caused by drugs and violence in our communities. When his law enforcement career ended in 2015 due to a policy violation while trying to protect a friend, Forrest turned this setback into opportunity.

He earned a position at a prestigious firm while completing his undergraduate education and was accepted into law school, where he graduated Magna Cum Laude, became a Thurgood Marshall Scholar, and served on the Law Review team. Forrest currently practices criminal defense at the law firm he founded, Chosen Law Group. He holds licenses to practice in Arkansas, Tennessee, and the Eastern and Western Districts. He has also taught Criminal Justice at UALR.

A Comprehensive Approach to Justice

Forrest's campaign platform centers on "Smart Justice"—a balanced approach that prioritizes:

1. **Accountability for Violent Offenders and Illegal Gun Trafficking:** Ensuring that those who commit violent crimes and illegal gun trafficking face swift consequences.
2. **Victim and Witness Advocacy:** Strengthening support systems for crime victims and ensuring their voices are heard throughout the legal process.
3. **Prevention and Rehabilitation in the Juvenile Justice System:** Focusing on the rehabilitation of juvenile offenders while not neglecting our duty to the safety of all.
4. **Community Partnership:** Working alongside neighborhoods, faith groups, and local organizations to collectively heal our communities.
5. **Addressing Root Causes:** Implementing programs that address root causes like addiction and mental health in order to break cycles of recidivism.

Community Leadership

Beyond his legal work, Forrest serves on the Civil Service Commission for the City of Little Rock and is an active member of the Arkansas Bar Association Board of Trustees. He is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity and attends St. Mark Baptist Church. As an entrepreneur, he has founded Xperience Kitchen and Lounge, renovates real estate to support Section 8 families, and mentors youth in the community.

An official campaign kickoff will be held on May 19, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. at Xperience Kitchen and Lounge (109 Main Street in Little Rock) and other campaign events will be announced in the coming weeks, where voters will have the opportunity to meet Forrest and discuss his vision for bringing smart justice to Pulaski and Perry Counties. The campaign released an introductory video on the campaign website (www.forrestforprosecutor.com) that shares both his biography and lays out a compelling argument of why Bobby Forrest should be our next Prosecuting Attorney.