



Certificate of Recognition



This award is given to

Shannon Evans

Lubbock County would like to recognize Shannon Evans for her exemplary service to the citizens of Lubbock County from 2018 to present. Shannon Evans has distinguished herself as the Executive Director for the Lubbock Private Defenders office. Shannon is a graduate of American Military University with a Bachelor of Arts in Legal Studies and is a Certified Court Manager through the National Center for State Courts. Shannon is a combat veteran and honorably served 9 years in the United States Air Force. Shannon is also a member of the Texas Association for Court Administration. Shannon has worked for Lubbock County's Office of Court Administration where she assisted in establishing the Indigent Screening program at the Lubbock County Detention Center and the resulting Indigent Screening position with the help of the Texas Indigent Defense Commission. She coordinated Lubbock County's Family Law Docket and assisted in managing the County's Civil Commitment Program. Shannon has been instrumental in assessing the needs of our community and worked to improve each of those areas throughout her years at Lubbock County. Shannon's impact at LPDO was felt immediately upon her hiring. She assisted each Executive Director that came before her by outlining ways in which LPDO could improve internal systems. She modernized LPDO by providing an updated case management system, streamlining and improving antiquated processes through technology, and creating a robust system of indigent defense that aligns with our more digitized and electronic age. She catapulted the vouchering and attorney payment process into a new era. Additionally, she has revamped the culture at LPDO by providing an atmosphere of inclusion and a forward-thinking mindset, which has been instrumental in furthering LPDO's mission to our clients, staff, and stakeholders. Her passion for clients to succeed within the community is unparalleled. The Texas Indigent Defense Commission reached out to Shannon to spearhead and establish Operation Lone Star in 2021. This led to Shannon developing a Managed Assigned Counsel Program that provided fair representation for immigrants being held at the border. She is a visionary who is breaking barriers, changing the mentality of what it means to have a court appointed attorney, and paving the way for innovative ideas. Shannon's many contributions to LPDO and commitment to indigent defense are a reflection of her extraordinary, continued service to Lubbock County and the criminal justice system.

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