

NEWS RELEASE

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Deputy DA Bart Menser honored with Raising the Bar award

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Deputy District Attorney Bart Menser of the Mecklenburg County District Attorney's Office has been honored with the 2015 Raising the Bar award.

[Justice Initiatives](#), an organization that works to educate the community about the court system and advocate for the courts, presents the award each year to an employee "who has made a significant and notable contribution to the advancement of the Mecklenburg County court system." The award was presented to Mr. Menser during Justice Initiative's Evening at the Courthouse event on April 23, 2015. Mr. Menser was nominated by District Attorney Andrew Murray, who described Mr. Menser as his office's moral compass and an irreplaceable mentor to prosecutors.



Deputy DA Bart Menser receives the Raising the Bar award. Photo courtesy of Amy Kolodziej.

"His quiet but strong leadership and his institutional knowledge of the local courts system, which can't be matched, have established him as one of the most respected members of this office and of the Mecklenburg County Bar," District Attorney Murray wrote in his nomination.

Mr. Menser has served the state as a prosecutor for more than 30 years. He first worked as an Assistant District Attorney in North Carolina's Prosecutorial District 15A (Alamance County), but soon the Charlotte native returned to his hometown to become an Assistant District Attorney for the Mecklenburg County DA's Office. Mr. Menser was appointed Deputy District Attorney under former District Attorney Peter Gilchrist and maintained this position when District Attorney Murray took office in 2011.

In his role as Deputy District Attorney, Mr. Menser is the direct point of contact to the DA's Office for local law enforcement leaders, and he frequently meets with police to discuss policies and best practices. He attends monthly case management meetings with court officials to examine the use of local courtrooms, working to ensure that available courtroom time is used efficiently, and he has worked to make the entire judicial process – from arrest to resolution – as effective as possible. In addition to his many duties around the office, Mr. Menser also attends numerous community meetings and panel discussions as part of the

office's community outreach program to educate people about the work prosecutors do in the courts.

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