

# Former District Attorney Represents Some He Once Prosecuted

“A former district attorney in Mississippi’s largest county is now representing some people he once prosecuted, court documents show,” reports *Beaumont Enterprise’s News*.

“Robert Shuler Smith did not seek reelection last year in Hinds County. He told WLBT-TV that he sees no conflict of interest. But the current district attorney, Jody Owens, is seeking to have Smith removed from one case.”

“Smith represents Prince Johnson, who was indicted by Hinds County grand jury in 2017 on eight counts of prescription fraud.”

“Owens recently filed a motion seeking to disqualify Smith from the Johnson case, saying state law and Mississippi Ethics Commission opinions show Smith should not represent people he once tried.”

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