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Former Oregon Deputy Attorney General Peter D. Shepherd will join the regional law firm of Harrang Long Gary Rudnick P.C., effective July 1, 2009. Shepherd, 54, served as the second-in-command of the Oregon Department of Justice from 2001 to 2009 under Attorney General Hardy Myers.

"Pete Shepherd is widely recognized as one of the premier government lawyers in the country," said Bill Gary, Chair of the Firm's Board of Directors. "In nearly three decades of public service, he has become known as a creative problem solver. We are excited to have him apply his considerable skills for the benefit of our government and private sector clients."

As Deputy, Shepherd helped supervise 283 attorneys practicing administrative, civil, and criminal law. He has litigated cases throughout Oregon as a Marion County Deputy District Attorney, Assistant Attorney General under Dave Frohnmyer, and head of the DOJ consumer protection unit under Ted Kulongoski.

"I am enthusiastic to be joining one of Oregon's premier law firms," Shepherd said. "It is a great opportunity to apply my experience to a new set of professional challenges."

Shepherd is a member of the Oregon State Bar House of Delegates. He serves as a volunteer in Salem's Teen Court program.

Among his professional achievements, Shepherd helped draft legislation designating the Middle Fork of the North Fork of the Willamette a state wild and scenic river, establishing Oregon's first comprehensive civil forfeiture law, and requiring local governments to plan for police-involved deadly force incidents.

At Harrang Long, Shepherd will lead the firm's Salem office. The firm also has offices in Eugene and Portland. He joins three other former deputy attorneys general at the firm, Gary, Jim Mountain and Stan Long.

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