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**REP. JOHN LAWN
ENDORSES PUBLIC DEFENDER MARA DOLAN
FOR GOVERNOR’S COUNCIL**

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July 11, 2022, Concord, MA – Today State Rep. John Lawn (D-Watertown) endorsed public defender Mara Dolan for Governor’s Council, [District 3](#). Lawn represents the 10th Middlesex District, which includes Watertown, Waltham, and Newton. The Governor’s Council vets and votes on judicial nominations, members of the Parole Board, and commutations and pardons.

“Our courts are on the front lines of the opiate crisis,” said Lawn. “Mara’s experience working in our court system as a public defender gives her the insight and expertise needed to make sure our judicial system is doing everything possible to tackle the opiate crisis.”

“Rep. Lawn has made fighting the opiate crisis one of his top priorities,” said Dolan. “I will make sure all nominees, whether for a judicial appointment or for the Parole Board, respect the science of addiction and are committed to supporting recovery. I am very honored to have the endorsement of Rep. Lawn and know how much it will mean to voters in Watertown, Waltham, and Newton.”

The primary is on September 6, 2022. For more information, go to MaraDolan.com.

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