## TODD CHESBRO RETURNS AS DIRECTOR OF ROBBERY DIVISION

## COMING BACK TO THE DA'S OFFICE "FEELS LIKE COMING HOME"



A three-time All American Wrestler while at OSU, Chesbro was ranked in the top 8 nationwide. Currently he is in his second year as the Head Wrestling Coach at Bishop Kelly High School. "When you see the students improving and having success – that's the rewarding part. That's what I like the best."

Todd Chesbro's post-college career path is something of a unique circle. After graduating from OU Law School in 1996, he began his first stint at the Tulsa County DA's Office as a new prosecutor. But a few years later he was offered a highly prestigious position as the Assistant Coach for the wrestling team at the US Military Academy at West Point. He and his wife moved to New York to undertake a whole new adventure. Of that time, Chesbro says, "I truly enjoyed coaching and working with the athletes at the Academy. They have higher goals. The Academy is all about building character."

When his wife was expecting their first child a couple of years later, the decision was made to return to Oklahoma to be close to relatives. Chesbro then began his second stint at the DA's Office, eventually prosecuting major crimes and becoming a Team Captain.

Years later, after a second child was born, Chesbro felt the call to open a law practice with a colleague. In private practice Chesbro found the flexibility he needed to dedicate himself to his family. Chesbro was a sole practitioner for over 10 years until his career recently came full circle: he has returned to the DA's Office, this time as the Director of the Robbery Division.

"My hope is to be able to share my knowledge and experience – both as a previous prosecutor and as a criminal defense attorney – with my staff so that maybe they can see this job in a new light; and what it truly means to be an effective prosecutor from my point of view." --Assistant District Attorney Todd Chesbro