

JUDGE MIKE BOGGS – BIOGRAPHY

In 2004, Judge Boggs was elected Superior Court Judge for the six-county Waycross Judicial Circuit. Judge Boggs received his undergraduate degree in Political Science and Psychology from Georgia Southern College and earned his J.D. Degree from Mercer University's Walter F. George School of Law in 1990.

Judge Boggs previously served as a Member of the Georgia House of Representatives from 2000-2004 where he served on the Judiciary, Public Safety and Government Affairs Committees. While in the Legislature, Boggs authored The "Child Protection Act", a bill aimed at protecting children from sexual predators. In 2002, Boggs was selected as the Outstanding Freshman Member of the Georgia General Assembly and received recognition by the Editors of *Georgia Trend Magazine* by being named one of the "40 under 40" rising stars of Georgia.

Judge Boggs currently serves of the College Foundation Board of Trustees at Waycross College where he also serves as a part-time adjunct faculty professor of political science. Judge Boggs is also a former instructor at the University of Georgia Gary Christie Trial Skills Clinic and serves on the College Foundation Board of Trustees at Okefenokee Technical College, the Waycross YMCA Board of Directors, Rotary International, and is past president of the Waycross Bar Association.

In 2002, Boggs also received the James Harley Award for Outstanding Community Service by the Kiwanis Club of Waycross and in 2003 received the Waycross YMCA Community Service Award. In 2003, Rep. Boggs earned the prestigious "Legislative Award" from the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia for his service to all counties in Georgia and in 2004 he received the statewide University System of Georgia Foundation Regents Award for Excellence in Education in recognition of his outstanding accomplishments as a lawyer and legislator. During 2004, Judge Boggs also received the Georgia Sheriff's Association prestigious "Leadership Award" and was awarded the "Honorary Life Membership Award" for his support for Georgia's Sheriff's during the year. In 2004, Judge Boggs was also presented the Georgia District Attorney's Association "Commitment to Justice Award" for his support of law enforcement and victim's rights legislation.

In 2007, Judge Boggs received recognition for his support of the Magnolia House Shelter for abused women and children victims of domestic violence, an organization very important to Judge Boggs. In 2008, Judge Boggs received the Boy Scouts of America "Golden Eagle" Award for his service to the community and his support of scouting and in 2009 graduated from The Georgia Chamber of Commerce Leadership Georgia Program.

In 2008 Judge Boggs initiated a drug court program in his circuit and currently serves as a member of the Judicial Council of Georgia Standing Committee on Drug Courts as an appointee of Georgia Supreme Court Chief Justice Leah Ward Sears.

In 2011, Governor Nathan Deal appointed Judge Boggs to serve on the Judicial Nominating Commission and in 2011 Chief Justice Carol Hunstein appointed Judge Boggs to serve on the State's Criminal Justice Reform Commission.

Judge Boggs serves as a Deacon at Central Baptist Church in Waycross. Since 2006, Judge Boggs and his wife have made their home in Pierce County.