



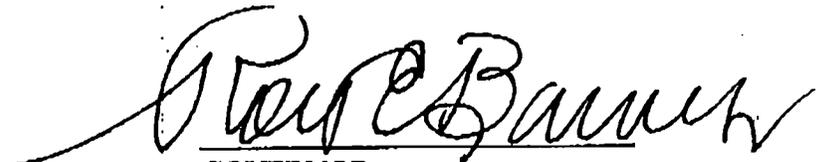
THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

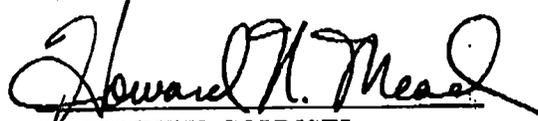
BY THE GOVERNOR:

It is hereby ordered that A. Harris Adams, of Cobb County, Georgia, be appointed as Judge of the Court of Appeals of Georgia, to serve a term of office beginning January 1, 2003, and continuing as provided by law.

This 30th day of December, 2002.


GOVERNOR

Attest:


EXECUTIVE COUNSEL

OATH OF JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS OF GEORGIA

STATE OF GEORGIA)

COUNTY OF FULTON)

I, A. Harris Adams....., a citizen of Cobb County..... and being an employee of the State of Georgia..... and the recipient of public funds for services rendered as such employee, do hereby solemnly swear and affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of Georgia.

I do further swear that I will discharge all the duties lawfully required of me as Judge of the Court of Appeals of Georgia, according to the best of my ability and understanding.

I do further swear and affirm that I am not the holder of any unaccounted for public money due this State, or any political subdivision or authority thereof; that I am not the holder of any office of trust under the government of the United States, nor of either of the several states, nor of any foreign state; and that I am otherwise qualified to hold said office according to the Constitution and Laws of Georgia; and that I will support the Constitutions of the United States and of this State.

I do further swear that I will administer justice without respect to person, and do equal rights to the poor and the rich, and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all of the duties incumbent on me as Judge of the Court of Appeals of Georgia, according to the best of my ability and understanding and agreeably to the Laws and the Constitution of this State and the Constitution of the United States.

SO HELP ME GOD!



Signature.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the)

30th day of December, 20.....)



GOVERNOR

(O.C.G.A 15-3-5)
(O.C.G.A 45-3-1)
(O.C.G.A 45-3-12)

The Court of Appeals
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Atlanta, Georgia 30334

WILLIAM L. MARTIN, III
CLERK AND COURT ADMINISTRATOR

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June 17, 2004

Georgia Law Review
University of Georgia
School of Law
Athens, Georgia 30602-6012

Dear Sir or Madam:

Thank you for the most recent edition of the Georgia Law Review, Spring 2004, Volume 38, Number 3. Enclosed please find the mailing label attached to the envelope which bears the name of Honorable Marion T. Pope. Please be advised that Judge Pope retired from this Court in 2002. He was replaced by Judge A. Harris Adams. Please direct future copies of the Georgia Law Review not to Judge Pope but to Judge A. Harris Adams, Georgia Court of Appeals, 334 State Judicial Building, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. If you have any questions or if I can be of further service to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



William L. Martin, III
Administrator/Clerk
Court of Appeals of Georgia

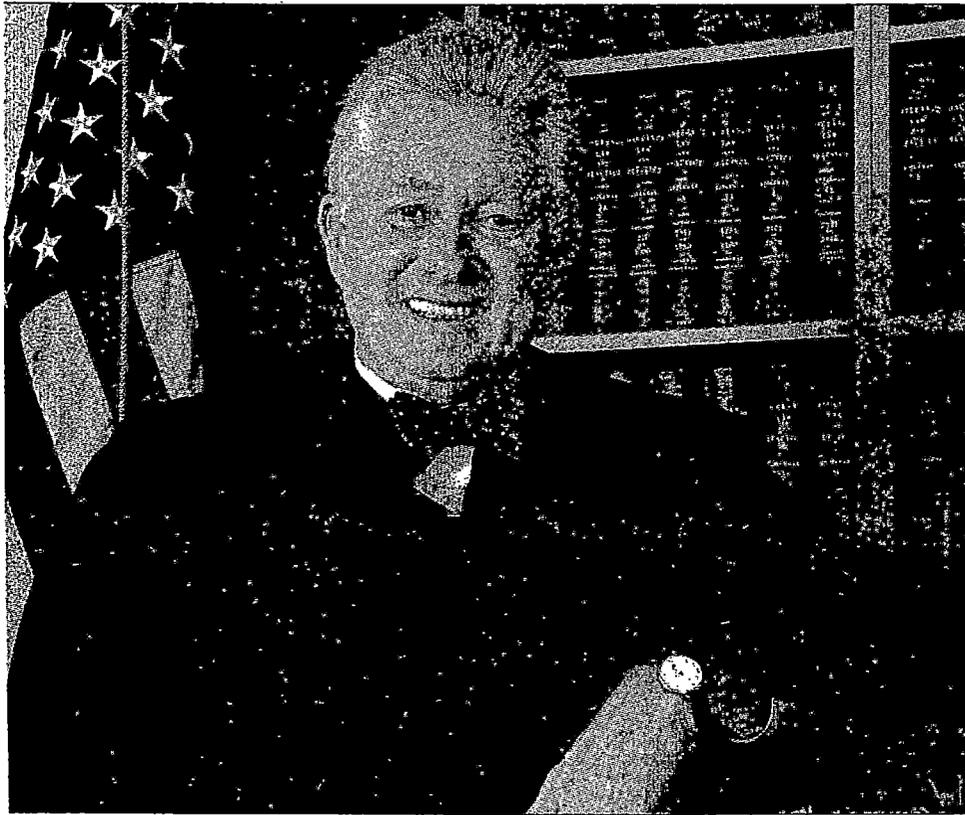
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bcc: Judge A. Harris Adams



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3RD TIME'S THE CHARM FOR COBB JUDGE IN BID FOR COURT OF APPEALS SEAT



CATHERINE LOVETT/DAILY REPORT

*Superior Court post,
2 on State Court filled*

JONATHAN RINGEL
jringel@amlaw.com

When A. Harris Adams made his way to the state Capitol last Tuesday to interview for a seat on the Georgia Court of Appeals, he wasn't going through a new experience.

Adams, 54, for 18 years a judge on the Cobb County State Court, made the short list for appeals court seats in 1999 and 2000, but was passed over each time by Gov. Roy E. Barnes.

But on Sunday night, Barnes telephoned Adams and said he was appointing him to the court, replacing retiring Senior Judge Marion T. Pope Jr.

"It feels a lot better on this side of the short list," said Adams on Monday.

The governor also announced two

Cobb State Judge A. Harris Adams was passed over in 1999, 2000 for seats.

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Gordon, Chafin Named to DeKalb, Henry Judgeships

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appointments to state courts and one new Superior Court judge. Assistant U.S. Attorney Janis C. Gordon and James Troy Chafin III were named to state judgeships in DeKalb and Henry counties, respectively, and Tommy Richard Hankinson was named Superior Court judge in the Griffin Circuit.

Barnes picked Adams over six others culled by the Judicial Nominating Commission from 44 who applied in September. The others on the short list were: John J. Barrow, of Athens' Winburn, Lewis, Barrow & Stolz; C. Wilson DuBose of Madison's Winkler, DuBose & Davis; Neal A. Dickert, Superior Court judge of the Augusta Judicial Circuit; Gail S. Tusan, Fulton Superior Court judge; Anne Workman, DeKalb Superior Court judge; and David J. Worley, of counsel with Atlanta's Jacobs, Slawsky & Barnett.

Like Adams, Barrow and Workman were named to the appeals court short lists in 1999 and 2000.

Barring an unexpected vacancy, Adams will be Barnes' last appointment to the 12-judge appeals court. Barnes lost a re-election contest to Republican

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—Cobb State
Court Judge
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Sonny Perdue last month.

In 1999, the General Assembly added two judgeships to the appeals court and another judge retired, giving newly elected Barnes three seats to fill.

Barnes chose Fulton State Court Judge M. Yvette Miller, Dougherty Superior Court Judge Herbert E. Phipps and State Court Judge John J. Ellington of the Dublin Judicial Circuit. In 2000, Barnes tapped Chatham Superior Court Judge Charles B. Mikell Jr. for another seat on the appeals court.

Adams received his undergraduate degree from Mercer University and his law degree from Mercer's Walter F. George School of Law. Adams has served on the Cobb bench since 1984. Before he became a judge, he was in private practice for 13 years. He also served as an assistant district attorney in Cobb from 1971 to 1973, overlapping on that job with Barnes, who was a prosecutor there from 1972 to 1974.

Adams said that in his latest interview with Barnes on Tuesday they talked about old times in the district attorney's office. Adams said he reminded Barnes' counsel, Howard N. Mead II, that as Gov. Joe Frank Harris' Senate floor leader, Barnes had recommended Adams for the Cobb State Court post he now holds.

Adams said they discussed judicial philosophy briefly, but after working together, presiding over trials Barnes' participated in as a plaintiff's lawyer, two previous interviews, and an exhaustive questionnaire, he felt the governor knew him well.

“I'm not some sort of radical conservative,” Adams said, adding that he would not “legislate from the bench.”

Barnes' other judicial appointments included a federal prosecutor and two metro area lawyers.

The DeKalb pick, Gordon, serves on the Organized Crime Strike Force at the U.S. Attorney's office.

Gordon, 48, said she has spent years trying to be a peacemaker and she was looking forward to using that skill in her new job “helping to resolve disputes.” She received her undergraduate

degree from Emory University, a master's degree from the University of Chicago, and a law degree from Duke University.

Hankinson, 54, the Griffin pick, is a partner of Thomaston's Adams, Barfield, Hankinson, Evans & Miller. He received undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Georgia.

Chafin, 50, is the Henry County pick. He currently serves as the munic-



Assistant U.S. Attorney Janis C. Gordon was named to DeKalb court.

ipal court judge for the city of McDonough and practices law in The Chafin Law Firm. He is a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy and Georgia State University College of Law.

Barnes' spokeswoman Joselyn Butler Baker said the governor will work with the JNC to fill Adams' seat on the Cobb State Court bench before his term ends next month.

Barnes also is expected to fill seats on the Superior Courts of the Chattahoochee and Piedmont Circuits and the Bell-Forsyth State Court, Baker said. □

Swearing - In Ceremony
for
Judge A. Harris Adams
to the
Court of Appeals of Georgia
December 30, 2002

Invocation	Charles Collins Team Chaplain, Atlanta Falcons Athletes in Action/Bill Bright Ministries
Introduction of Governor	Howard Mead
Introduction of Judge Adams	The Honorable George W. Darden
Oath of Office	Governor Roy E. Barnes
Remarks	Judge Adams
Benediction	Wallace Frances International Director, Ambassadors for Christ

Bill Martin



Court of Appeals

Memorandum

To: Chief Judge Ruffin

From: Judge Adams *AAA*

Subject: A05A1422. *Popham v. Garrow et al.*

Date: August 30, 2005

Peter Norwood Popham has moved for reconsideration in the above-referenced case. In conjunction with that motion, he has moved to disqualify me from the panel. I am writing to notify you that I have reviewed Popham's motion and affidavit in accordance with IOM Section XXXIII (B) (1) and have determined, first, that it is untimely under Ct. of App. R. 44 (a) as it was filed more than twenty days after the date of docketing. And I do not believe that Popham's statement that he just realized that I am the "Adams, J." assigned to this case shows good cause for his failure to meet this deadline. Second, even assuming the facts in the affidavit to be true, I find that no ground for recusal is presented. Accordingly, I do not believe that it will be necessary to assign another judge to consider the motion for recusal. Instead, I believe that this matter can be handled within the original panel assigned to the case.

cc: Presiding Judge Smith
Judge Ellington
Bill Martin



State of Georgia

By His Excellency **SONNY PERDUE**
Governor of said State

To the Honorable JUSTICE P. HARRIS HINES

WHEREAS, I have this day commissioned A. HARRIS ADAMS

COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE

Term: JANUARY 1, 2011 UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2016

AND WHEREAS, the said person cannot attend at the Executive Department to qualify for his said office, without great inconvenience, I have selected you to administer to him the oath of office herewith sent, and upon his taking and subscribing the same, and giving any bond as required by law, you will certify your proceedings to me, that the same may become a record.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Executive Department, at the Capitol, in the City of Atlanta, the 15TH day of DECEMBER in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten

Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Executive Secretary

STATE OF GEORGIA, FULTON COUNTY

I, undersigned, do hereby certify to his Excellency the Governor, that in obedience to the foregoing DEDIMUS POTESTATEM, A. HARRIS ADAMS

has come before me and taken and subscribed the Official Oath, which was sent from the Executive Department for him, dated this date, I have delivered to him his commission.

Given under my hand and official signature, this 21st day of December 20 10

Justice, Supreme Court of Georgia

DIRECTIONS

This **Dedimus** and certificate, when executed, should be returned to the Secretary of State.

The **Oath** for officers whose general duties are not confined to any **one** county, unless otherwise provided, should be returned with this dedimus; others should be filed as provided in Official Code of Georgia Annotated 45-3-4.

The **Bond**, for Judge of Probate Court **only**, should be approved by the Judge of Superior Court and returned with this dedimus, as provided in Official Code of Georgia Annotated 15-9-8.



State of Georgia

LOYALTY OATH

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF FULTON

I, A. HARRIS ADAMS (name)

a citizen of GEORGIA

and being an employee of THE COURT OF APPEALS OF GEORGIA

and the recipient of public funds for services rendered as such employee, do hereby solemnly swear and affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of Georgia.

SO HELP ME GOD!

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the)

21st day of December, 20 10)

P. H. Harris Adams)

A. Harris Adams

Signature

Justice, Supreme Court of Georgia

(O.C.G.A. 45-3-11)
(O.C.G.A. 45-3-12)
(O.C.G.A. 45-3-13)

DIRECTIONS

This oath, when taken, must be attached to the oath of office and filed therewith as required by law.

The loyalty oath required by Code Sections 45-3-11 through 45-3-15 shall apply to all elected officers of this state, including the Governor, constitutional officers, elected officials of any political subdivision of the government of Georgia, and local school board officials (O.C.G.A. 45-3-12).



State of Georgia

OATH OF JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS OF GEORGIA

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF FULTON

I, A. HARRIS ADAMS, a citizen of GEORGIA
and being an employee of the Court of Appeals of Georgia and the recipient of public funds for
services rendered as such employee, do hereby solemnly swear and affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United
States and the Constitution of Georgia.

I do further swear that I will discharge all the duties lawfully
required of me as Judge of the Court of Appeals of Georgia,
according to the best of my ability and understanding.

I do further swear and affirm that I am not the holder of any
unaccounted for public money due this State, or any political
subdivision or authority thereof; that I am not the holder of any
office of trust under the government of the United States, nor of
either of the several states, nor of any foreign state; and that I am
otherwise qualified to hold said office, according to the
Constitution and Laws of Georgia; and that I will support the
Constitutions of the United States and of this State.

I do further swear that I will administer justice without respect to
person, and do equal rights to the poor and the rich, and that I will
faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all of the duties
incumbent on me as Judge of the Court of Appeals of Georgia,
according to the best of my ability and understanding and
agreeably to the Laws and the Constitution of this State and the
Constitution of the United States.

SO HELP ME GOD!

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21st day of December, 20 10)
P. Harris Adams)

A. Harris Adams
Signature

Justice, Supreme Court of Georgia

~~GOVERNOR~~

(O.C.G.A 15-3-5)
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(O.C.G.A 45-3-12)

Court of Appeals Employee Handbook

Acknowledgment Form

COPY

I Brenda C. O'Brien do by my signature below state and affirm that I have read a copy of the Court of Appeals Employee Handbook, and I understand my rights and obligations thereunder.

I further understand that my failure to comply with the requirements of the handbook and abide by the rules and policies of the Court of Appeals of Georgia set out therein may subject me to discipline, up to and including, dismissal, *at the sole discretion of the Judge by whom I am employed.*

This the 8th day of December 2009

Brenda C. O'Brien AKA

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I Michael Wakefield do by my signature

below state and affirm that I have read a copy of the Court of Appeals Employee Handbook, and I understand my rights and obligations thereunder.

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but only upon the agreement of the judge for whom I work.

This the 7th day of December 2009

Michael S Wakefield AHA

PS. This form supercedes any other form that I have signed on the same matter. MUSW

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I Ann Kelley do by my signature below state and affirm that I have read a copy of the Court of Appeals Employee Handbook, and I understand my rights and obligations thereunder.

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This the 8th day of December 2009

Ann Kelley ~~Ann~~

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I LAURA ROBISON do by my signature

below state and affirm that I have read a copy of the Court of Appeals Employee Handbook, and I understand my rights and obligations thereunder.

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This the 8th day of December 2009

Laura J. Robison AAA

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I Laverne Johnson do by my signature below state and affirm that I have read a copy of the Court of Appeals Employee Handbook, and I understand my rights and obligations thereunder.

I further understand that my failure to comply with the requirements of the handbook and abide by the rules and policies of the Court of Appeals of Georgia set out therein may subject me to discipline, up to and including, dismissal, at the sole discretion of the Judge by whom I am employed.

This the 15th day of December 2009.

Laverne Johnson



Court of Appeals

Memorandum

To: Chief Judge Miller

From: Judge Adams *ANA*

Subject: Voluntary Furlough

Date: September 3, 2009

I had my AA contact Jan Kelley today to advise her that I wished to voluntarily take an unpaid furlough day each month. Jan advised my AA that we were having a banc meeting within the next week or two and that I should hold off on this until then. However, I wanted this to go into effect for the September pay period if possible, although Jan told my AA that it was too late for that to occur. In any event, I do not want to delay this matter any longer and thus was hoping you could advise me when the banc meeting Jan referenced was scheduled and if this matter is on the agenda.

cc: Jan Kelley
Bill Martin



Court of Appeals

Memorandum

To: Judge Adams
From: Chief Judge Miller
Subject: Voluntary Furloughs
Date: September 8, 2009

Thank you for your memorandum of September 3, 2009. I appreciate the action you wish to take and recognize the autonomy of each judge to make his or her own decision on pay as he or she sees fit. It is my understanding from Jan Kelley that a deduction for a voluntary furlough for September can be made in the second pay period if the deduction request is given to her before September 21st.

On the other hand, I respectfully ask that you hold your action until the Court can again discuss the issue of voluntary furloughs at the Banc Meeting which has been scheduled for September 16, 2009. I hope that at that time we will have a consensus of the judges or I will have an idea of how to respond to media inquiries about the judges' action at that time.

Thank you for your patience.

cc: Bill Martin
Jan Kelley



Court of Appeals

Memorandum

To: All Judges
Bill Martin

From: Judge Adams *AHA*

Subject: Coffee Memo

Date: September 23, 2008

Because I do not drink coffee here at the Court, I too, must decline on behalf of myself and my staff to participate in providing coffee.

To

Bill