

Biographies turned in as of 2.15.11

CJ Ellington	
PJ Smith	✓
PJ Barnes	✓
PJ Miller	✓
PJ Phipps	✓
J Andrews	✓
J Mikell	✓
J Adams	
J Doyle	✓
J Blackwell	✓
J Dillard	✓
J McFadden	✓

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Michael P. Boggs was appointed to the Court of Appeals of Georgia on July 6, 2012 by Governor Nathan Deal. On July 31, 2012, Judge Boggs was elected state-wide to serve a six-year term beginning in 2013. Prior to his appointment, Judge Boggs served as a Superior Court Judge for the six-county Cross Judicial Circuit having been elected to an open seat in 2004. He was elected without opposition in 2008. Judge Boggs was raised in Waycross and now lives in Pierce County with his wife Heather, a kindergarten teacher in the Ware County public school system.

Judge Boggs obtained his undergraduate degree in Political Science and Psychology from Georgia Southern College in 1985. He earned his Juris Doctor degree from Mercer University's Walter F. George School of Law in 1990. While in law school, Judge Boggs was a member of the Moot Court Board and participated on the ABA Moot Court competition team. At Mercer, Judge Boggs was inducted into the Order of Barristers and was elected to the Student Government Association.

Following his graduation from law school, Judge Boggs joined the Atlanta law firm of McKenzie & McPhail where he practiced property insurance defense litigation until 1992, when he returned to his hometown of Waycross. From 1992 to 2004, Judge Boggs maintained a general trial practice specializing in family law, business, real estate, banking, personal injury, and general civil litigation matters. Judge Boggs served as a County Attorney, Development Authority Counsel, and as a Special Assistant Attorney General defending the Department of Corrections in inmate constitutional claims litigation.

In 2000, Judge Boggs was elected as a State Representative to the General Assembly and represented Ware, Charlton and Clinch Counties until 2004. While in the Legislature, Judge Boggs served on the Judiciary, Public Safety and Government Affairs Committees. Among his legislative accomplishments, Judge Boggs authored the "Child Protection Act", a bill aimed at protecting children from sexual predators. In 2002, Judge Boggs was selected as the Outstanding Freshman Member of the General Assembly by the Legislative Alumni Association and was also recognized by the Editors of *Georgia Trend Magazine* as one of the "40 under 40" rising stars of Georgia.

Judge Boggs is actively involved in community service. In 2003, Judge Boggs received the Waycross YMCA Community Service Award and was presented the "Legislative Award" from the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia. In 2004, he received the University System of Georgia Foundation Regents Award for Excellence in Education in recognition of his outstanding accomplishments as a lawyer and legislator. Judge Boggs is also a recipient of the Georgia Sheriff's Association "Leadership Award" and was awarded the Georgia District Attorney's Association "Commitment to Justice Award" for his support of law enforcement and victim's rights legislation.

In 2007, he received recognition for his support of the Magnolia House Shelter for abused women and child victims of domestic violence in Waycross and was presented the Boy Scouts of America "Golden Eagle" Award for his service to the community and his support of Scouting. Judge Boggs is a graduate of The Georgia Chamber of Commerce "Leadership Georgia" Program.

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In 2011, Judge Boggs was elected by his fellow Superior Court Judges to serve as Secretary-Treasurer of the Council of Superior Court Judges, and also served as Vice-Chair of the Council's Legislation Committee. An ardent supporter of accountability courts, Judge Boggs founded the Waycross Judicial Circuit Drug Court Program, served as its Presiding Judge, and served as a member of the Judicial Council of Georgia's Standing Committee on Accountability Courts.

Judge Boggs serves on the Foundation Board of Trustees at Waycross College, where he served as a part-time adjunct faculty professor of political science. He is a former instructor at the University of Georgia Gary Christie Trial Skills Clinic and previously served on the Foundation Board of Trustees at Okefenokee Technical College, the Waycross YMCA Board of Directors, and Rotary International. Judge Boggs is also a member of the Lawyers Club of Atlanta.

Judge Boggs served as a member of the Governor's Judicial Nominating Commission and as a member of Georgia's Special Council on Criminal Justice Reform in 2011. Governor Deal appointed Judge Boggs to serve as Co-Chair of the Criminal Justice Reform Council in 2012.

Judge Christopher J. McFadden was elected in November 2010 for a term beginning January 1, 2011. He is the son of the late Isabel McFadden and the late Judge Donald B. McFadden, who served for twenty years as a trial court judge in Akron, Ohio.

Judge McFadden graduated from Oglethorpe University in 1980 and from the University of Georgia School of Law in 1985. He opened his own law office in 1988 and remained a sole practitioner until he joined the Court of Appeals. For most of that time, he practiced in Decatur and focused on appellate litigation. Before joining the Court of Appeals as its 74th judge, he appeared as appellate counsel before 26 of the judges who preceded him.

In 1996, along with the late Professor Edward C. Brewer and attorney Charles R. Sheppard, he published Georgia Appellate Practice through the Harrison Company of Norcross, Georgia. With Mr. Sheppard and attorneys Charles M. Cork, III, George W.K. Snyder, Jr. and David A. Webster, Judge McFadden continues to update it for West, which now publishes it in annual editions. With attorney Laurie Webb Daniel, he is a founding past Chair of the Appellate Practice Section of the State Bar of Georgia. For twelve years, Judge McFadden served as an officer or director of the Atlanta Bar Association. Earlier, he chaired its Sole Practitioner/Small Firm Section. He is a recipient of the Atlanta Bar's Distinguished Service Award and Charles E. Watkins, Jr. Award.

Judge McFadden has served as a volunteer attorney for the Innocence Project and the Election Protection Project. He is a member of the Atlanta Bar Association, DeKalb Bar Association, Fayette County Bar Association, Georgia Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Georgia Trial Lawyers Association, Lawyers Club of Atlanta, the Old Warhorse Lawyers Club, the Federalist Society, American Constitution Society, Saint Thomas More Society and Oglethorpe University's Stormy Petrel Bar Association. He has served for more than six years on the State Bar of Georgia's Committee on the Judiciary. He is a member of the Appellate Practice Committees of the Litigation Section and the Tort and Insurance Practice Section of the American Bar Association.

He is a parishioner at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Griffin, Georgia and has served as a lector since 1988. Judge McFadden is married to Dr. Linda Hyde, Professor of Biology at Gordon College in Barnesville, Georgia. They have a son.

as of 5.27.11

Presiding Judge Anne Elizabeth Barnes won election in 1998 to the Georgia Court of Appeals in a three-way race without a runoff, and took office January 1, 1999. She was the first woman to be elected in a state-wide judicial race without having been first appointed to the bench, and was re-elected, without opposition, to a second term in 2004. She served as Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals and is a member of the Council of Chief Judges of the State Courts of Appeal.

After attending DeKalb County public schools, Judge Barnes entered Georgia State University, and graduated magna cum laude in 1979. She earned her Juris Doctor from the University of Georgia in 1983, and her Master of Laws in the Judicial Process from the University of Virginia in 2004.

Presiding Judge Barnes has served on the Judicial Council of Georgia's Standing Committee on Policy and its Budget Committee, as well as the Chief Justice's Commission on Professionalism, the Domestic Violence Committee of the Judicial Council of Georgia, the Women in the Profession Committee of the Atlanta Bar, and the Advisory Board of Georgia State University's Department of Sociology. She is a past Chair of the Atlanta Bar Association Judicial Section and serves on the Supreme Court's Commission on Interpreters, WIL (Women in Leadership) Committee, and the board of Foreverfamily (f/k/a Aid to Children of Imprisoned Mothers, Inc.). Presiding Judge Barnes volunteers with the Truancy Intervention Project's Early Intervention program, working with elementary school children, and is a member of the Leadership Atlanta Class of 2006.

Presiding Judge Barnes has been recognized for her service by the Women in the Profession Committee of the Atlanta Bar, the Younger Lawyer Division of the State Bar, and Justice Served. She is a member of the American Bar Association, the State Bar of Georgia, the Atlanta, DeKalb, and Gate City Bar Associations, GABEO, GAWL, and GABWA. Presiding Judge Barnes is a Fellow of the Lawyers Foundation of Georgia, a Master of the Lamar Inn of Court, and a member of the National Association of Women Judges, the Lawyers Club of Atlanta, and the Old Warhorse Lawyers Club. She frequently participates in professional seminars as a panelist and author.

Presiding Judge Barnes attends St. Martin in the Fields Episcopal Church. She is a member of the Atlanta Track Club, and has successfully completed the Peachtree Road Race more than ten times.

Presiding Judge J.D. Smith was appointed by Governor Zell Miller to the Georgia Court of Appeals, effective May 10, 1993. He is a past Chief Judge of the court, having served in that capacity from January 1, 2003, through December 31, 2004.

He formerly was Chief Judge of the Superior Courts of the Northeastern Judicial Circuit, which includes Dawson and Hall counties. He won election to the superior court bench in 1984 and took office on January 1, 1985.

He is a native of Hall County, born on July 16, 1946. He is the son of the late Jessie D. Smith, who was also a native of Hall County, and the late Louise Elliott Smith, a native of Dawson County. He was educated in the Hall County school system.

Presiding Judge Smith practiced law in Gainesville for over twelve years before becoming a judge. He is a member and past President of the Gainesville-Northeastern Circuit Bar Association. He is also a member of the Atlanta Bar Association, the State Bar of Georgia, and the American Bar Association. He is a Master in the Joseph Henry Lumpkin American Inn of Court and served as its President from 2001 to 2006. He is also a Master in the Chattahoochee American Inn of Court.

Before entering private practice, he served as law assistant to Justice William B. Gunter of the Supreme Court of Georgia.

He obtained his legal education at the University of Georgia School of Law, where he received a Juris Doctor degree in 1972. He was on the Dean's List and served as Associate Editor of *The Georgia Law Review*. He has served as Chair of the law school's Board of Visitors and is a recipient of the law school's Distinguished Service Scroll. He is also a graduate of the University of Florida, where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree, with honors, in economics in 1968, and where he was on the Dean's List and a member of the President's Honor Roll. In 1977, he was awarded a Master of Laws in Taxation degree from the Emory University School of Law. He earned that degree while maintaining a full-time law practice in Gainesville. He earned an LL.M. degree in Judicial Process from the University of Virginia School of Law in 1998. Judge Smith is also a graduate of the New York University School of Law Appellate Judges Seminar. He has been an instructor at the National Judicial College and numerous legal education seminars. He serves on the Board of Trustees of the Georgia Institute of Continuing Judicial Education, currently as its Chair.

He is a former Chair of the Chestatee Regional Library Board. He is a former director of the Gainesville Kiwanis Club, which bestowed upon him its "Workhorse Award" in 1978. He is a former Chair of the Troop Committee of Boy Scout Troop 16 in Gainesville.

He and his wife, Flo, are members of the First United Methodist Church of Gainesville. They have two adult children, Brian R. Smith and Joanna Smith Nijem, both of whom are graduates of the University of Georgia School of Law and practicing lawyers.



Court of Appeals

Memorandum

To: All Judges

From: Holly K.O. Sparrow *HS*

Subject: Biographies for the Court History

Date: December 1, 2010

Please provide me with an updated biography before Tuesday, January 4, 2011 for inclusion in a new Court History booklet. I have included a copy of your biography from the last Court History booklet for your review. Your biography on the Court website may be more recent so you may wish to review it as well.

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After attending DeKalb County public schools, Judge Barnes entered Georgia State University, and graduated *magna cum laude* in 1979 with a bachelors degree. She earned her Juris Doctor from the University of Georgia in 1983, and her Master of Laws in the Judicial Process from the University of Virginia in 2004.

Judge Barnes has served on the Judicial Council of Georgia's Standing Committee on Policy, and its Budget Committee, as well as the Chief Justice's Commission on Professionalism, the Domestic Violence Committee of the Judicial Council of Georgia, the Women in the Profession Committee of the Atlanta Bar, and the Advisory Board of Georgia State University's Department of Sociology. She is currently Chair of the Atlanta Bar Association Judicial Section and serves on the Supreme Court's Commission on Interpreters, the Commerce Club Operating Board and WIL (Women in Leadership) Committee, and the board of Foreverfamily (f/k/a Aid to Children of Imprisoned Mothers, Inc.) as well as the Atlanta Metropolitan College Foundation Board. Judge Barnes volunteers with the Truancy Intervention Project's Early Intervention program, working with elementary school children and is a member of the Leadership Atlanta Class of 2006.

Judge Barnes has been recognized for her service by the Women in the Profession Committee of the Atlanta Bar, the Younger Lawyer Division of the State Bar, and Justice Served. She is a member of the American Bar Association, the State Bar of Georgia, the Atlanta, DeKalb, and Gate City Bar Associations, the Georgia Association of Black Elected Officials, the Georgia Association of Women Lawyers, and the Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys. Judge Barnes is a Fellow of the Lawyers Foundation of Georgia and a Master of the Lamar Inn of Court, and a member of the National Association of Women Judges, the Institute of Judicial Administration, the Georgia Public Policy Foundation, the Lawyers Club of Atlanta and the Old Warhorse Lawyers Club, and frequently participates in professional seminars as a panelist and author.

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BIO OF PRESIDING JUDGE M. YVETTE MILLER

Presiding Judge M. Yvette Miller was originally appointed to the Court of Appeals by Governor Roy Barnes on July 12, 1999, when she became the first African-American woman and 65th Judge on the Court. She has been re-elected statewide without opposition by the citizens of Georgia for two six-year terms, most recently in November 2006. In October 2008, Presiding Judge Miller was unanimously elected by her fellow judges to serve as Chief Judge for a two-year term, which began on January 1, 2009 and ended on January 1, 2011. She was the first African-American woman to serve as Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals of Georgia. Following her tenure as Chief Judge, she became a Presiding Judge on the Court.

Presiding Judge Miller is a native Georgian. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad N. Miller of Macon, Georgia. She has one sibling, Conrad N. Miller, Jr., M.D., who also resides in Macon. She received her B.A. degree, cum laude, from Mercer University in 1977 and her J.D. degree from Mercer's Walter F. George School of Law in 1980. Presiding Judge Miller also earned an LL.M. degree in litigation from Emory University School of Law in 1988 and an LL.M. degree in Judicial Process from the University of Virginia School of Law in 2004.

Presiding Judge Miller has achieved many "firsts" in the course of her education and her distinguished legal career. While attending law school, she was selected as the first African-American woman to hold the title of "Miss Macon." Presiding Judge Miller was one of the first female prosecutors in Fulton County, where she began her career as an Assistant District Attorney and handled primarily serious felony rape and murder cases. She went on to represent the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) as senior in-house litigation counsel and was responsible for handling one-third of the agency's civil litigation in the courts. Presiding Judge Miller subsequently moved to South Georgia, and became part owner, general manager and general counsel of the first minority-owned new Ford Lincoln-Mercury automobile dealership in Jesup, Georgia and one of the first such minority-owned dealerships in the State. During that time, Judge Miller also developed a private legal practice and became the first African-American female attorney to practice in Jesup, Georgia and throughout the Brunswick Judicial Circuit.

In 1989, Presiding Judge Miller began her tenure as an Administrative Law Judge with the State Board of Workers' Compensation. In 1992, when Governor Zell

Miller appointed her to serve as Director and Judge of the Appellate Division of the State Board of Workers' Compensation, Presiding Judge Miller became the first woman, first African-American, and youngest person ever to hold that position. Four years later, Governor Miller appointed her to the State Court of Fulton County, and she was re-elected as a State Court judge without opposition in 1998.

Presiding Judge Miller is a member of numerous professional and civic organizations, including the Atlanta Bar Association, the Georgia Association of Women Lawyers, and the Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys. She is a founding member of the Judicial Section of the Gate City Bar. Presiding Judge Miller also serves on the Executive Committee of the National Council of Chief Judges of the State Courts of Appeal and the Advisory Board of the Girl Scout Council of Northwest Georgia. She has served previously as chair of the Georgia Student Finance Commission, as Chair of the Supreme Court Commission on Public Trust and Confidence, as a Trustee of Leadership Georgia, on the Board of Visitors of Mercer Law School, and on the Board of Directors of the Judicial Section of the Atlanta Bar Association. Currently, she is a fellow of the Lawyers Foundation of Georgia, and she is a member of the Commerce Club, Lamar Inn of Court, the Lawyers Club of Atlanta, the Azalea City Chapter of The Links, Incorporated, and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Presiding Judge Miller has received many awards and special recognitions for her professional achievements and public service. In 2010, she received the Georgia Trial Lawyers Association Guardian of Justice Award for Outstanding Service to the Bar. She also received the "Investing In Dreams" Award presented by the DeKalb Technical College Foundation & the Atlanta Chapter/Youth United for Prosperity NFL Alumni. Moreover, in 2010, she was designated by the *Atlanta Business Chronicle* as Who's Who in Law and was the recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award presented by Mercer University's Walter F. George School of Law. In 2009, Presiding Judge Miller was presented the Pinnacle Leadership Award from Delta Sigma Theta, East Point/College Park Alumnae Chapters Foundation. She was inducted into the Gate City Bar Hall of Fame in October 2008. Presiding Judge Miller was recognized for her accomplishments in Who's Who in Black Atlanta from 2001 to 2009, and she was designated by the Georgia Informer as one of "Georgia's Top 50 Influential Black Women" from 1991 to 2008. In 1997, she was awarded the Meritorious Service Award by the Mercer University Alumni Association. In 2006, Presiding Judge Miller was selected as one of 20 American judges to attend the Sir Richard May

Seminar on International Law and International Courts in The Hague, Netherlands. She frequently accepts invitations to lecture on various legal topics, including ethics, professionalism, and various aspects of appellate practice in Georgia, and has published numerous articles.

Presiding Judge Miller resides in Vinings, Cobb County, and is a member of Cascade United Methodist Church in Atlanta. She is also a life-long member of Steward Chapel AME Church in Macon, Georgia.

HERBERT E. PHIPPS

Presiding Judge Herbert E. Phipps was born to J.W. Phipps and Marion Gadson Phipps in Baker County, Georgia. He and his wife, Connie Curry Phipps, have a son, Herbert, Jr., who resides in Atlanta, and a daughter, India, who resides in Dallas, Texas.

Presiding Judge Phipps earned a B.A. degree, with a major in Political Science, in 1964 from Morehouse College. He has traveled extensively in Europe and Asia and taught English at Thammasatt University and private schools in Bangkok, Thailand. In 1971, he earned a Juris Doctor degree from Case Western Reserve University School of Law in Cleveland, Ohio, where he served as an editor of the Law Review.

Presiding Judge Phipps returned to Albany, Georgia in 1971 to join the general law practice of C.B. King. The firm emphasized civil rights litigation. They successfully represented plaintiffs in civil rights cases involving school desegregation, voting rights, jury discrimination, student rights, police brutality and discriminatory employment practices. From 1983 to 1995 Presiding Judge Phipps engaged in the solo practice of law.

In 1980, Presiding Judge Phipps was appointed part-time Magistrate and Associate Judge of the Dougherty County State Court, where he served eight years. In 1988, he was appointed to the Dougherty Circuit Juvenile Court, where he served as judge for seven years. Governor Zell Miller appointed him Judge of the Dougherty Circuit Superior Court in 1995, and he was elected to a four-year term in 1996. Governor Roy Barnes appointed him to the Court of Appeals of Georgia on July 12, 1999, and he was elected statewide to serve six-year terms in November 2000 and November 2006. In April 2010 he became a Presiding Judge of the Court of Appeals.

Presiding Judge Phipps was awarded a Master of Laws in the Judicial Process from the University of Virginia School of Law in 2004. In 2006, the State Bar of Georgia recognized him with the Justice Robert Benham Award for Community Service. In 2007 he was inducted into the Society of Benchers of Case Western Reserve School of Law. Presiding Judge Phipps's Commencement Address to the Class of 2007 of Case Western Reserve School of Law, "Lawyers - the Guardians of Truth and Justice," is published at 58 Case Western Reserve Law Review 483 (2008).

Presiding Judge Phipps serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors of SB&T Bank of Albany and Americus. He serves on the Board of Directors of the Georgia Appleseed Center for Law and Justice. He is a member of the Georgia Committee on Access and Fairness in the Courts and of the Georgia Supreme Court Pandemic Commission. He is a member of the Judicial Council of Georgia and serves as Chair of the Council's Committee on Court Reporting Matters. He is a Past President of the Lawyers Club of Atlanta. He is a member of Bethel A.M.E. Church in Albany and Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, Delta Delta Boule'.

Presiding Judge Phipps has served on Georgia's Judicial Nominating Commission, the Georgia Supreme Court Commission on Racial and Ethnic Bias, and the Georgia Indigent Defense Council Advisory Committee. He is a former member of the State Bar Board of Governors and past President of the Dougherty Circuit Bar Association. He has served as President of the Albany Association for Retarded Citizens, the Albany Sickle Cell Foundation, the Faith Fund Foundation and The Criterion Club; and was a member of the 1987-88 Leadership Albany Class. He has served on the Albany Technical Institute Board of Directors, the Albany/Dougherty Chamber of

Commerce, and the Southwest Georgia Home for Convalescent and Aging Persons.

From: Holly Sparrow
To: Lola Diamond
Date: 2/16/2011 7:56 AM
Subject: Fwd: Biographies
Attachments: Fwd: Biographies; Presiding Judge Phipps bio as of February 15 2011.wpd

Lola here is Judge Phipps bio.

>>> Debbie Zimmerman 2/15/2011 9:14 PM >>>

Dear Holly,

Sorry, we thought we had sent this to you back in December when you first asked for it.

Debbie



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Gary Blaylock Andrews

Judge Gary Blaylock Andrews was elected to the Georgia Court of Appeals in November, 1990, and took office on January 1, 1991. He was re-elected in 1996 and 2002. Presiding Judge Andrews served as Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals from 1997-1998.

Presiding Judge Andrews was born on October 30, 1946 to Jones Garnett Andrews, Sr. and Nancy Blaylock Andrews, members of pioneer Walker and Catoosa County families. Judge Andrews was reared in Chickamauga, Walker County, Georgia, where he attended public schools and graduated from Gordon Lee High School in 1964. Presiding Judge Andrews received his B.B.A. degree in Accounting from the University of Georgia in 1968, and went on to receive his Juris Doctor from the University of Georgia Law School in 1971. In 1981, he completed a course of study for general jurisdiction trial judges at the National Judicial College.

While attending the University of Georgia, Presiding Judge Andrews was a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity, Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity and Beta Alpha Psi Honorary Accounting Fraternity.

Presiding Judge Andrews was admitted to the Georgia Bar in November 1971 and accepted a position as an Assistant Attorney General under Arthur K. Bolton, Attorney General of Georgia. From 1976 to 1980, Presiding Judge Andrews engaged in the private practice of law in Atlanta and Chickamauga while also serving as a special assistant Attorney General.

In 1980, Presiding Judge Andrews was elected Superior Court Judge of the Lookout Mountain Judicial Circuit (Catoosa, Chattooga, Dade and Walker Counties) and was re-elected to that office in 1984. While a Superior Court Judge, he served on the State Sentence Review Panel and was a member of the Council of Superior Court Judges and the Seventh Judicial Administrative District Council. On May 30, 1985, Governor Joe Frank Harris appointed him Commissioner of the Georgia Public Service Commission. He was subsequently elected to that office in 1986, a position he held until December, 1990. He served as Chair of the Georgia Public Service Commission from 1987 to 1989 and was a member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners and the Executive Commission of the Southern Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners.

In 1981, Presiding Judge Andrews was named one of Georgia's five outstanding young men by the Georgia Jaycees. He was also a member of Leadership Georgia, Class of 1986. He is a member of the State Bar of Georgia, the Lookout Mountain Bar Association, the Gridiron Secret Society

and the Chickamauga First Baptist Church. Presiding Judge Andrews has three children: Elizabeth Paige Andrews, Gary B. ("Blake") Andrews, Jr., and Blane A. Andrews. He and his wife, Doris, live in Chickamauga.

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From: Annette Todd
To: Holly Sparrow
Date: 12/1/2010 1:58 PM
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Presiding Judge Andrews' biography is okay as is.



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Charles B. Mikell

Judge Charles B. Mikell was born in Savannah on December 25, 1941, and received his undergraduate degree in history from Princeton University in 1963. He served for five years in the United States Army, including duty in Vietnam with the Central Intelligence Agency and as an advisor to South Vietnamese forces, and was awarded the Bronze Star and the Republic of Vietnam's Gallantry Cross.

After his Army service, Judge Mikell pursued a graduate degree in Central European history at the University of North Carolina (Chapel Hill) and was awarded a Fulbright Fellowship for research in Prague and London. He earned his law degree cum laude in 1976 at the University of Georgia Law School, where he was a Senior Editor of the Law Review.

Judge Mikell practiced law in Savannah until his 1985 appointment to the State Court of Chatham County, where he also served as chief judge and as President of the Georgia Council of State Court Judges. He won election to an open seat on the Superior Court of Chatham County in 1992 and was re-elected in 1996. He was appointed to the Georgia Court of Appeals in May 2000 and was re-elected without opposition in 2002 and 2008.

Judge Mikell is married to Julia LeCraw Mikell, M.D., a neurologist. They have three sons, Chuck, John, and Sam.

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Memorandum

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To: All Judges

From: Holly K.O. Sparrow *AP*

Subject: Biographies for the Court History

Date: December 1, 2010

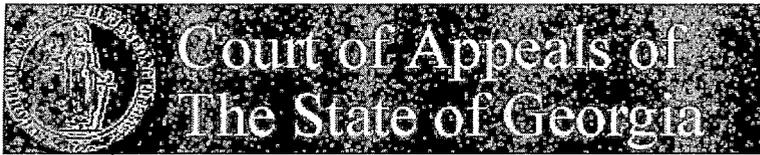
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Sara L. Doyle

Judge Sara L. Doyle was elected to the Georgia Court of Appeals in December, 2008 and took office on January 1, 2009. Born in Dallas, Texas, Judge Doyle lived in several states before entering the University of Florida where she graduated in 1990 with a Bachelors degree in Business Administration. She graduated cum laude from Mercer University's Walter F. George School of Law in 1994. Judge Doyle was admitted to the Georgia Bar in June, 1994 and began her legal career as a civil litigator with Wilson, Strickland & Benson, P.C. Just prior to taking office, she was an equity partner with the national law firm of Holland & Knight, LLP where she had practiced law with a focus on education issues since August, 2000.

As a practicing attorney, Judge Doyle received an A.V. peer-reviewed rating from Martindale Hubbell. She was selected as a Georgia Super Lawyer, and in 2006 and 2008, was named one of the top 50 female attorneys in Georgia. She has also been recognized as one of Georgia's legal elite by Georgia Trend Magazine. Judge Doyle is a member of the American Bar Association, the Atlanta Bar Association, the National Association of Women Judges, the Georgia Association of Women Lawyers (GAWL), the Gate City Bar Association, the Georgia Association of Black Woman Attorneys (GABWA) and the Lawyers Club of Atlanta, where she currently holds the position of Second Vice President.

Judge Doyle has been involved in many professional, civic and religious organizations. She has been a member and director of the Atlanta Bar Association Bard show and is a current member of the Atlanta Bar Editorial Board. Judge Doyle is also a member of the State Bar's Law Related Education Committee, and the Georgia Commission on Dispute Resolution, a member of GAWL's Advisory Board, a Master in the Lamar Inn of Court and is serving on Emory University's Board of Visitors. She has sat as a fee dispute arbitrator for the State Bar of Georgia and is currently the co-chair for the State Bar of Georgia's Commission on the Unlicensed Practice of Law. Judge Doyle has participated in Leadership Midtown, the Atlanta Regional Commission Leadership Institute and the American Bar Association Tort Trial Insurance Practice Insurance Section Leadership Academy. Judge Doyle was a Barrister in the Bleckley Inn of Court and a faculty member for the Emory University Trial Advocacy Program. Judge Doyle has participated as a Hands On Atlanta Day team leader, an American Cancer Society Neighborhood fundraiser, as co-chair for her firms United Way Committee and a volunteer for the Georgia Volunteer Lawyer for the Arts.

Judge Doyle is married to Jay Doyle, and they have two children.

From: Sara Doyle
To: Holly Sparrow
Date: 1/4/2011 12:40 PM
Subject: Re: Court History Bios

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Sara

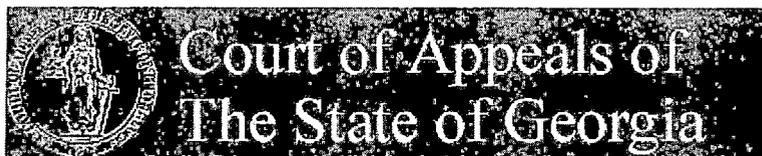
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Keith Blackwell

Judge Keith R. Blackwell was appointed as a judge of the Court of Appeals by Governor Sonny Perdue on November 1, 2010. Judge Blackwell is a native of Cherokee County and now lives in Cobb County with his wife Angela and their three daughters.

After graduating from Cherokee High School in Canton, Judge Blackwell was awarded a University of Georgia Foundation Fellowship. He attended the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Georgia, where he was enrolled in the Honors Program and was elected to *Phi Beta Kappa*. He graduated *summa cum laude* from the College of Arts and Sciences in 1996 with a degree in political science and as a First Honor Graduate. Judge Blackwell then attended the School of Law at the University of Georgia, where he served as the Senior Editor of the *Georgia Law Review* and was elected to the Order of the Coif. He graduated *summa cum laude* from the School of Law in 1999, again as First Honor Graduate.

Following his graduation from law school, Judge Blackwell served as a law clerk to Judge J.L. Edmondson of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. Judge Blackwell then practiced law as an associate at Alston & Bird LLP, where he represented clients in criminal and regulatory investigations and in the defense of consumer class actions and other complex commercial litigation. Beginning in early 2003, Judge Blackwell served for several years as an Assistant District Attorney in Cobb County, where he represented the State of Georgia in several hundred felony prosecutions, including prosecutions for murder, kidnapping, armed robbery, carjacking, drug trafficking and financial crimes. In late 2005, Judge Blackwell joined Parker, Hudson, Rainer & Dobbs LLP in Atlanta as an associate, and three years later, he was elected as a partner in the firm. At Parker, Hudson, Judge Blackwell focused his practice on complex commercial litigation, including in contract, real-estate, insurance, and business-tort cases. His practice also included the representation of crime victims in connection with criminal investigations and prosecutions and counseling businesses and nonprofit organizations with respect to trade secrets, computer crimes, the privacy of nonpublic personal information, and other data security issues. In 2010, Judge Blackwell was appointed as a Special Deputy Attorney General to represent the State of Georgia in litigation challenging the constitutionality of federal healthcare reform legislation. In 2007, 2009 and 2010, Judge Blackwell was honored as a *Georgia Super Lawyers Rising Star*.

Judge Blackwell has been active in a number of professional and legal policy organizations. He is a member of the Board of Advisors of the Atlanta Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies,

and he previously served for three years as the Chapter President and for eight years as a member of its Executive Board. Judge Blackwell also is a member of the State Bar of Georgia and its Appellate Practice Section, where he has served on the State Practice and Legislation Committee. Judge Blackwell also is a member of the Atlanta Chapter of the Federal Bar Association. In addition, he previously has served as an advisor to the House Judiciary Committee on the revision of the state evidence code and as a member of the Governor's Judicial Nominating Commission.

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Stephen Dillard

Judge Stephen Louis A. Dillard was appointed to the Court of Appeals of Georgia on November 1, 2010 by Governor Sonny Perdue. Prior to his appointment, Judge Dillard was in private practice with James, Bates, Pope & Spivey in Macon, serving as chairman of the firm's appellate practice group.

Judge Dillard was born in Nashville, Tennessee on November 13, 1969. He attended and graduated from Hillwood High School in Nashville, Tennessee, Samford University (B.A. 1992), and Mississippi College School of Law (J.D., cum laude, 1996). During law school, Judge Dillard was a member of the Moot Court Board, and received the Judge Robert G. Gillespie Outstanding Achievement in Appellate Advocacy Award, as well as the American Jurisprudence Award in Appellate Advocacy. He also reactivated the Mississippi College Chapter of the Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies, serving as its president for three years.

After graduating from law school, Judge Dillard joined the Macon law firm of Stone & Baxter, where he practiced from 1996 until 2001. In September 2001, he left private practice for a two-year period to serve as a law clerk to Judge Daniel A. Manion of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. In September 2003, Judge Dillard joined James Bates as of counsel, where he specialized in appellate practice and complex litigation. While in practice, he received an AV® Preeminent™ Peer-Review Rating from Martindale-Hubbell and was named by Super Lawyers as one of Georgia's "rising stars."

Additionally, Judge Dillard was appointed by Governor Sonny Perdue to the Judicial Nominating Commission and the Public Defender Selection Panel for the Macon Judicial Circuit. He is a member of the Speakers Bureau of the Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies, a member of the Board of Advisors of the Atlanta Lawyers Chapter, and previously served as president of the Macon Lawyers Chapter. Judge Dillard has published scholarly essays in the *Encyclopedia of Civil Liberties*, *Encyclopedia of Great American Judges*, and the *Encyclopedia of Great American Lawyers*. He is a member of the State Bar of Georgia's Appellate Practice Section, the Macon Bar Association, and the William Augustus Bootle American Inn of Court. Judge Dillard was also a participating lawyer with the Criminal Justice Act Appellate Panel for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, handling *pro bono publico* appeals for indigent individuals. He also served as a legal policy advisor to Governor Mike Huckabee during the 2008 presidential campaign.

Judge Dillard is married to the former Krista McDaniel, and they have three children. He is an active member of Saint Joseph Catholic Church and the

former president of the school board for Saint Joseph's Catholic School.

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Judge Christopher J. McFadden was elected in November 2010 for a term beginning January 1, 2011. He is the son of the late Isabel McFadden and the late Judge Donald B. McFadden, who served for 20 years as a trial court judge in Akron, Ohio.

Judge McFadden graduated from Oglethorpe University in 1980 with a ___ degree in _____ and graduated from the University of Georgia School of Law with a Juris Doctor degree in 1985. He opened his own law office in 1988 and remained a sole practitioner until he was elected judge of the Court of Appeals. His law practice was located in Decatur and focused on appellate litigation. Before joining the Court of Appeals as its 74th judge, he appeared as appellate counsel before 26 of the Court of Appeals' judges who preceded him.

In 1996 with the late Professor Edward C. Brewer and attorney Charles R. Sheppard, Judge McFadden authored Georgia Appellate Practice published by the Harrison Company of Norcross, Georgia. He, along with attorneys Charles R. Sheppard, Charles M. Cork III, George W.K. Snyder, Jr., and David A. Webster, continues to update Georgia Appellate Practice annually, which is now published by West.

Judge McFadden is one of the founders of the Appellate Practice Section of the State Bar of Georgia and a former chair of that organization. For the past 12 years, Judge McFadden has served as either an officer or director of the Atlanta Bar Association. He has chaired the Association's Sole Practitioner/Small Firm Section. Also, in _____, he was the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award of the Atlanta Bar Association.

Judge McFadden has served for more than 6 years on the State Bar of Georgia's Committee on the Judiciary. He is a member of the appellate practice committees of the Litigation Section and the Tort and Insurance Practice Section of the American Bar Association. Judge McFadden has also contributed his time serving as a volunteer attorney for the Innocence Project and the Election Protection Project.

Judge McFadden is a member of the DeKalb Bar Association, the Fayette County Bar Association, the Georgia Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, the Georgia Trial Lawyers Association, the Lawyers Club of Atlanta, the Old Warhorse Lawyers Club, the Federalist Society, the American Constitution Society, the Saint Thomas More Society, and Oglethorpe University's Stormy Petrel Bar Association. He is a parishioner at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Griffin, Georgia and has served as a lector since 1988.

Judge McFadden is married to Dr. Linda Hyde, Professor of Biology at Gordon College in Barnesville, Georgia. They have one son, _____.

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Holly

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Here is my bio. Please note that I describe myself as the 74th judge of this court. Please confirm that I've counted correctly and that there are no other errors.

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Chris