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**JUDGE AND CIVIC/COMMUNITY LEADER**  
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**EDUCATION**

**Emory University School of Law, Atlanta, GA**  
Juris Doctor Degree, May 2004

*Relevant Activities and Awards:* Dean's Award for Public Service  
Emory Public Interest Committee Grant Scholar  
Community Service Chair, Black Law Students Association  
Emory Legal Clinic Volunteer

**CIVIC/COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP ROLES AND ACTIVITIES**

**League of Gwinnett and North Fulton Counties (JLGNF), August 2018- present.**

*SPAC Delegate A* (2019 and 2020 League years): Planned and executed a Local Legislator Town Hall with legislators from our League area to discuss issues pertinent to our League initiatives including, but not limited to, menstrual equity (elimination of the menstrual product tax), human trafficking legislation, maternal mortality, and fair pay. We also had a representative from Georgia STOMP, a statewide coalition to which our League is a part of, formed to address issues of menstrual equity and period poverty in Georgia.

Planned and executed a community town hall on human trafficking with guest panelists from local and federal law enforcement, local and federal prosecution, and local organizations aimed at educating the public and eradicating human trafficking. The event was attended by League members, community members, and several local legislators.

Planned and executed our first virtual Runoff Election Q&A panel discussion with all candidates running in key local runoff elections in our League coverage area including District Attorney, Superior Court, and Georgia Senate. Pre-approved questions included those addressing social justice and reform, building trust between law enforcement and the community, human trafficking, maternal mortality, fair and equal access to the courts, candidate community involvement, and general questions regarding each panelists' candidacy. The event was attended virtually by League members, a wide sector of the viewing public, and local media.

Planned and executed a virtual community town hall: "Saving Mothers' Lives: Maternal Mortality in Georgia" with members of our local legislative delegation, the American Civil Liberties Union, and two local nonprofit organizations whose focus is on educating the public and lobbying for legislation to help protect new and expectant mothers and their babies across Georgia.

Nominated for, and awarded the Kim Constantino First Year Active Award 2019-2020

Other JLGNF Civic and Community Programs and Activities:

Leaders Advancing an Equitable Culture in Gwinnett County Workshop 2020

Covid Supply Donation 2020

Capitol Day 2018, and 2019

Little Black Dress Initiative 2018-present

Strong Girls Bright Futures Signature Program with the Boys and Girls Club of Lawrenceville: volunteer 2018, 2019, 2022, 2023

Rainbow Village Thanksgiving Dinner Volunteer 2018 and 2019 (\*Rainbow Village is a local nonprofit organization aimed at breaking the cycle of homelessness, poverty, and domestic violence by providing apartment-style housing and resources to local families in need)

JLGNF Period Pantry Donations (ongoing)

Girls on the Run volunteer 2018 and 2019

**Jack and Jill of America, Inc. (Stone Mountain, Georgia Chapter), April 2020- present.**

*Mother Member:* NAMI Fundraiser walk; Dekalb Resource Center for Women ongoing donation partnership; Boys and Girls Club of East DeKalb donation partnership; Red Cross partnership; March of Dimes fundraiser; Children's Defense Fund partnership, United Negro College Fund partnership; Mending the Gap partnership; Students Without Mothers ongoing donations; local food pantry donations.

**Georgia Association of Women Lawyers, May 2015- present.**

*Director of Communications, Member Gwinnett Chapter:* Partnership Against Domestic Violence fundraisers; Annual holiday meal and clothing donations to benefit Rainbow Village; holiday family adoption through the local juvenile court; Greater Gwinnett Reentry Alliance LawSuits professional clothing drive/donation event; chosen to lead a clinic in October of 2020 to teach other attorneys on how to effectively assist Georgians with clearing minor criminal offenses on their criminal records in order to participate gainfully in society and have adequate employment, housing, and education options.

**Gwinnett County Bar Association, May 2015- present.**

*Member:* Annual Holiday Toy Drive benefiting Children's Hospital of Atlanta; Habitat for Humanity projects; Law Enforcement Appreciation Day luncheon sponsor; Legal Food Frenzy (annual drive to raise money and donations for Georgia's eight regional food banks).

**Emory Black Law Students Association (BLSA) Alumni Board, 2018-2022.**

*Board Member:* Assist in establishing alumni/student programs and events to help foster successful law school academic success and career options for BLSA members and minority students; Volunteer regularly at BLSA programs on campus; serve as mentor for BLSA student members.

**OTHER MEMBERSHIPS, ACTIVITIES AND PERTINENT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Office of the Child Advocate-** Guardian ad Litem Certification (2020)

**Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys** (present)

**Georgia Justice Project,** Criminal Records Clinic Volunteer

**Trickum Middle School Council,** Secretary (2019-2021)

**DeKalb County Office of the Public Defender,** Attorney/Supervisor (2004-2009)

**Truancy Intervention Project** (Fulton County Juvenile Court) Attorney Volunteer (2011-2015)

**Volunteer Judge for Emory Civil Rights and Liberties Moot Court Competition** (2009- present)

**Georgia High School Mock Trial Competition Volunteer** (2005-present)

**International Community School Board of Directors** (2015-2018), Governance Chair (2017-2018)

**Dekalb Bar Association** (2004-2015)