

# WANDA L. DALLAS

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## TRUSTED ADVISOR, CONSULTANT & COACH

Catalyst For Transformative Changes That Have A Lasting Positive Impact On Organizational Culture And Performance

### Trusted Advisory

### Strategic Consultation

### Coaching Mastery

With over 20 years of exemplary legal and judiciary experience, deep insights into human behavior are brought to the table. Renowned for assisting individuals and teams in transcending their limitations and guiding them towards their best potential. Skilled in identifying challenges within teams, leadership, or organizational culture and determining the most effective interventions. As a trusted advisor, engagement with various organizational members is prioritized to formulate strategies that empower every member of the organization. Demonstrated ability to implement feedback loops ensures that strategies are not only effective but continuously improved based on fresh insights. A proven track record of conducting one-on-one and group coaching sessions with leadership teams offers valuable insights and feedback to enhance their leadership capabilities.

Trusted Advisory | Strategic Consultation | Human Behavior Insight | Emotional Intelligence | Issue Diagnosis & Intervention  
Organizational Assessment | Individual & Team Empowerment | Diversity, Equity & Inclusion | Public Speaking & Motivation  
Strategy Formulation | Executive Coaching | One-on-One & Group Coaching | Leadership Development | Mediation

## NOTABLE CAREER ACHIEVEMENTS

- ✓ Elected to serve as District 6 Representative for the Council of Municipal Court Judges from 2021 to present; served as District 6 Representative for the Council of Magistrate Court Judges from 2018 to 2020.
- ✓ As Chief Judge steered younger adults into GED programs, higher educational pursuits, and employment opportunities by creating 'A Better Chance Program' (ABC) to address gaps and prevent further criminal contact in the City of Riverdale.
- ✓ Built from the ground up the Community Prosecution Program while employed as an Assistant District Attorney for the Fulton County District Attorney's Office—due to the success of this program the program grew from one to 6 sites.
- ✓ As Chief Judge created a format, which was modelled after the State of Massachusetts's Housing Court Program, whereby landlords and tenants met to discuss how to forestall the eviction process, reducing homelessness in Clayton County.
- ✓ Implemented a Diversion Program at City of Riverdale Municipal Court to enhance traffic accountability and reduce traffic tickets and collisions among drivers under 21 years old.
- ✓ Researched and outlined a Veteran's Treatment Court Program as Chief Judge for Clayton County Magistrate Court, which was modelled after the City of Savannah's program, to reduce the number of veterans who were arrested.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

FULTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT, Atlanta, GA, 2022 – Present

### Superior Court Judge

Preside over preliminary hearing calendars, making decisive rulings on probable cause and evidentiary matters in felony criminal arrests and charges. Also shoulder the responsibility of setting appropriate bond conditions, weighing factors such as flight risk, public safety, and the accused's prior criminal history to make informed and fair determinations.

CITY OF JOHNS CREEK MUNICIPAL COURT, Johns Creek, GA, 2022 – Present

### Associate Judge

Appointed to oversee plea and arraignment calendars, bench trials, motion hearings, and city ordinance violations for the City of Johns Creek. Serve as scheduled for temporary court under the direction of the Presiding Judge, as judge for cases involving Class C misdemeanors and as magistrate for defendants arrested by local law enforcement agencies.

CITY OF RIVERDALE MUNICIPAL COURT, Riverdale, GA, 2021 – Present

### Chief Judge

Highest-ranking member with primary responsibility over the administration of the court. Prepare written opinions to defend rationale of rulings and inform public of new legal precedent. Meet with legal counsel to discuss and decide on objections, pretrial motions, discovery issues, and evidence. Determine proper sentencing, monetary fees, and damages to be paid.

**CITY OF EAST POINT MUNICIPAL COURT, East Point, GA, 2021 – Present**

**Associate Judge**

Selected to oversee plea and arraignment calendars, bench trials, motion hearings, and city ordinance violations for the City of East Point. Respond to Arrest & Search Warrant applications by the City of East Point Police Department.

**CITY OF SOUTH FULTON MUNICIPAL COURT, South Fulton, GA, 2021 – Present**

**Judge Pro-Tem**

Support the Chief Judge on a part-time basis resolving plea and arraignment calendars, bench trials, motion hearings, and city ordinance violations for the City of South Fulton.

**MEADOWS, MACIE & MORRIS, Stockbridge, GA, 2021 – 2021**

**Of Counsel**

Operated in an Of Counsel (Special Counsel) capacity to assist civil defense law firm expand into criminal defense, and represented clients in matters involving criminal defense, traffic violations, and code violations.

**CLAYTON COUNTY MAGISTRATE COURT, Jonesboro, GA, 2013 – 2020**

**Chief Judge**

Served as Chief Administrative Officer and Judge on the bench. Supervised a staff of 20, to include 9 judges and 11 support staff members. Oversaw all civil calendars and criminal calendars.

**ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Labor Relations Manager** – FULTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, Atlanta, GA, 2010 – 2013

**Staff Attorney** – FULTON COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, Atlanta, GA, 2009 – 2010

**Attorney** – THE DALLAS LAW FIRM, Atlanta, GA, 2007 – 2009; 2021 – Present

**Associate Judge** – FULTON COUNTY JUVENILE COURT, Atlanta, GA, 2005 – 2007

**Chief Judge** – CITY OF RIVERDALE MUNICIPAL COURT, Riverdale, GA, 2004 – 2006

**Chief Community Prosecutor** – FULTON COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, Atlanta, GA, 2001 – 2005

**Senior Assistant District Attorney** – FULTON COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, Atlanta, GA, 1998 – 2001

**CONSULTING & ADVISORY EXPERIENCE**

**Consultant** – THE LADY JUSTICE SPEAKS (<https://myladyjusticespeaks.com>), Stockbridge, GA, 2022 – Present

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Assistant Adjunct Professor** – ATLANTA METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE, Atlanta, GA, 2014 – 2019

**Adjunct Professor, Litigation** – GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE OF LAW, Atlanta, GA, 1998 – 2007

**AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS**

Awarded By President Barack Obama 'The President's Lifetime Achievement Award'

Recognition By The Fulton County Public Safety Training Center (2017)

Recognized By Savannah State University As A Consistent Partner With The College (2002 – 2005)

Recognized By The Fulton County District Attorney's Office For The Development & Implementation Of The Community Prosecution Program (1998 – 2005)

Employee Of The Year From The Fulton County District Attorney's Office (1998)

Recognized By The City Of Atlanta Police Department (1998)

**DESIGNATIONS**

Licensed Mediator (2020 – Present)

**EDUCATION**

**Juris Doctorate (J.D.)** – UNIVERSITY OF TULSA COLLEGE OF LAW, Tulsa, OK

**Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Journalism, Minor Political Science** – GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY, Atlanta, GA