

# MICHELE D. HOTTEN

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## **EDUCATION**

Howard University School of Law, Washington, D.C.;  
Juris Doctorate, June 1979; Associate Editor, Howard Law Journal  
New College, University of South Florida, Sarasota, Florida 33578  
Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, 1975

## **BAR ADMISSIONS**

Maryland Court of Appeals (1985)  
United States District Court of Maryland (1985)  
District of Columbia Court of Appeals (1991)  
United States District Court for the District of Columbia (1991)

## **EXPERIENCE**

### **ASSOCIATE JUDGE**

Circuit Court for Prince George's County, Maryland  
December, 1995 - Present

Preside over major civil, criminal, family, juvenile, equitable and administrative causes within the jurisdiction of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County and for the Seventh Judicial Court. Deputy Coordinating Judge, Family Division (1995-1996). Coordinating Judge, Juvenile Division (1997 – 1999), (Specially assigned, Court of Special Appeals, 1997, 2001 and 2008). Deputy Coordinating Judge, Criminal Division (2004-2006). Civil Coordinating Judge (2006-Present).

### **ASSOCIATE JUDGE**

District Court of Maryland for Prince George's County  
June, 1994 - December, 1995

Presided over civil, criminal, domestic, municipal enforcement infractions, traffic, landlord-tenant causes within the jurisdiction of the District Court.

### **SOLE PRACTITIONER**

Prince George's County, Maryland  
June, 1992 – June, 1994

Civil, criminal, juvenile, insurance defense and business related litigation before the District and Circuit Courts of Maryland, and the District of Columbia Courts. Additionally, handled court-appointed guardianship/adoption/termination of parental rights cases.

### **EXAMINER IN CHANCERY**

Circuit Court for Prince George's County, Maryland  
April, 1993 – June, 1994

Appointed by the Circuit Court for Prince George's County to conduct oral examinations as assigned.

### **PRE-LAW ADVISOR**

University of Maryland at College Park  
College Park, Maryland  
September, 1992 – June, 1994

Coordinated and developed on-campus seminars with law school recruiters, attorneys and judges. Provided networking opportunities between students and law related organizations in an effort to foster law related internships. Provided advice to students concerning academic majors, the LSAT and the law school admission process.

### **DEPUTY PEOPLE'S ZONING COUNSEL**

Prince George's County, Maryland  
September, 1989 – June, 1994

Represented the public interest and ensured the integrity of the record in zoning matters before the County Zoning Hearing Examiners and the County Council, sitting as the District Council; conducted direct and cross-examination of witnesses and pointed out significant issues for consideration by the Zoning Hearing Examiner and the District Council.

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**SPECIAL COUNSEL - Human Relations Commission**

April, 1992 - July, 1993

Advised Commission panel members in the area of racial, sexual, employment and housing discrimination actions.

**ASSOCIATE**

Farrington, Smallwood, Wells and WyrOUGH

9200 Basil Court

Landover, Maryland 20785

March, 1989 – June, 1992

Civil and criminal trial litigation, notably in the areas of personal injury, medical malpractice, products liability, felonies and juvenile offenses.

**ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY**

State's Attorney's Office, Prince George's County, Maryland

September, 1985 – March, 1989

Prosecuted misdemeanor, juvenile and major felony cases in the District Court, Juvenile and Criminal Trials Divisions; prepared and investigated homicide, child abuse, sex offense, assault and property cases.

**PARALEGAL SPECIALIST**

D.C. Police and Firefighters Retirement and Relief Board

Washington, DC

September, 1982 – September, 1985

Analyzed the record and prepared findings of fact, conclusions of law, Orders and memoranda for the Chairman's approval.

**LAW CLERK**

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

Washington, DC

October, 1980 – October, 1981

Briefed commissioners and staff on regulatory issues and identified potential conflicts and concerns with industry management.

**LAW CLERK**

D.C. Office of the Corporation Counsel, Special Litigation

Washington, DC

July, 1979 – October, 1980

Prepared motions, claims, pleadings, memoranda to support legal positions on behalf of the District of Columbia. Interviewed clients to develop and prepare cases for prosecution.

**APPOINTMENTS**

Member, Committee to Review Procedures for Docketing and Processing Foreclosure Cases (2008 – present)

Member, Court of Appeals of Maryland, Standing Committee

on Rules of Practice and Procedure (2007-Present)

Member, Maryland State Bar Association, Maryland Pattern

Jury Instructions Civil Subcommittee (2007-Present)

Member, Circuit Court Strategic Planning Committee (2000-02)

Member, Select Committee on Racial/Ethnic Bias in the Courts (2002-2004)

Member, Jury Reform Committee (1998-1999)

Member, Judicial Ethics Committee, Maryland Court of Appeals (1997-2006)

Member, Character Committee of the Court of Appeals, Seventh Judicial Circuit (1992-1994)

Member, Attorney Grievance Panel for the Seventh Judicial Circuit (1992-1994)

Member, Board of Directors, Maryland Legal Services Corporation (1993-1994)

Member, Board of Directors, Catholic Charities (1995-1998)

Member, Board of Directors, Queen Anne School (2002-2007); Member, Joint Financial Planning Committee (2002-Present)

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Maryland State Bar Association,

Board of Governors (1997-1998 and 2002-2004)

Maryland State Bar Association,

Executive Committee 1997-1998 and 2002-2004)

Member, Maryland State Bar Association (1985-Present)

Fellow, Maryland Bar Foundation (1997 – Present)

Women's Bar Association (1992-Present)

J. Dudley Diggs, Inn of Court (1989-1992)

District of Columbia Bar Association (1991-Present)

Harry A. Cole Judicial Council (1997 – present)

Alan Goldstein Inn of Court (1995-2002)

President (1998-1999)

J. Franklyn Bourne Bar Association, Inc. (1985-Present)

President (1993-1994)

Board of Directors (1993-1995); Chair CLE Committee (2006-2009)

Prince George's County Bar Association (1985-Present)

Board of Directors (1993-2003); President, (2001-2002);

Marlborough Inn of Court (1992-1995)