

Fellow Members of the Tenth Judicial District Bar:

I am a 1996 graduate of The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where I earned a Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies. After graduating I was given a unique opportunity to learn and serve through the Public Allies leadership development program. The program provided me with an opportunity to return home to Raleigh and work with Passage Home Community Development Corporation to develop and implement programming to address a myriad of issues related to poverty and blight. My early work in Southeast Raleigh led to an opportunity to work on a statewide level with the North Carolina Justice Center, coordinating the efforts of eight nonprofit organizations jointly committed to addressing poverty through policy, research and grassroots education. The attorneys at the North Carolina Justice Center left me with an indelible impression of the uniquely vast roles attorneys play in making our local communities safer, stronger and healthier for all.

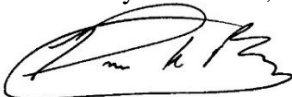
In 2007 I earned my Juris Doctorate from North Carolina Central School of Law and became licensed to practice law in North Carolina in August of that same year. Within a month of licensure, I began working with Legal Aid of North Carolina as a Clifton W. Everett, Sr. Community Law Fellow serving our State's most vulnerable citizens in Johnston, Harnett and Sampson Counties. During my time at Legal Aid I represented hundreds of clients on civil matters and claims, including but not limited to claims under Chapter 75, NC's Unfair and Deceptive Trade Practices Act; Chapter 50 & 50A, Emergency Child Custody; Chapter 50B, Protection from Domestic Violence; Chapter 42, Landlord and Tenant Rights; Chapter 58, Debt Collection by Agencies and Debt Buyers; and 42 USC Chapter 119, McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act for displaced students seeking enrollment in public school.

In 2010 I entered private practice offering legal services as a general practitioner to individuals and small business owners. Since that time, I have represented hundreds of individual clients in criminal District and Superior court in a range of cases including run-of-the mill traffic offenses, to serious misdemeanors and felonies. On the civil side of the practice I namely represent individual clients in injury claims and business clients in contract disputes, and debt collection actions. After 12 years of practicing law I have appeared before the Court in 30 of our 100 North Carolina counties and I am so proud to call Wake County home. If selected to fulfil the balance of Judge Craig Croom's term, I will serve with humility and respect for the rule of law. I will treat each individual that comes before me with dignity; and I will encourage collegiality and professionalism amongst members of the bar.

In addition to being an attorney, I am a husband, a father of three and an active member of our community. I serve in part out of gratitude for the nurturing and support given to me in my youth- not only by my parents, but my teachers, pastor and coaches as well.

I am grateful for every opportunity I have had thus far to serve and I would be honored to have your support on Friday February 15, 2019.

Humbly Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David K. Baker, Sr.", written in a cursive style.

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Education ♦ Experience ♦ Leadership ♦ Service

Licensure

North Carolina State Bar

August 2007-present

Education

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Bachelor of Arts, Communication Studies

May 1996

North Carolina Central University School of Law

Juris Doctor

May 2007

Legal Work Experience

Law Office of David K. Baker, Raleigh, North Carolina

Principal Attorney, February 2010-present

Legal Aid of North Carolina, Inc., Smithfield, North Carolina

Staff Attorney/Clifton Everett Fellow, September 2007- January 2010

North Carolina General Assembly, Raleigh, North Carolina

Legislative Research Assistant, Summer 2005

North Carolina Court of Appeals, Raleigh, North Carolina

Extern, Honorable James A. Wynn, Jr., Fall 2004

Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge, and Rice PLLC

Senior Project Paralegal, June 2004-August 2007

Community Leadership & Service

Wake County Bar Association

-Vice-Chairman, Membership Services Committee (2014-2015)

-Leadership Development Committee (2015-2017)

Raleigh Area Development Authority, Inc.

-Vice-Chairman, Board of Directors (2013-present)

African-American Cultural Festival of Raleigh and Wake County, Inc.

-Chairman, Board of Directors (2015-2018)

CASA, Inc.

-Member, Board of Directors (2013-present)

Alexander Family YMCA

-Member, Advisory Board (2014-present)

- Christian Emphasis Committee
- Board Development Committee

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.

-Vice-President, Eta Sigma Chapter

Poplar Springs Christian Church

-Deacon (Ordained 2001)