

# Dondell Patterson for Chief Magistrate Judge! WIFE. MOM. COMMUNITY ADVOCATE. EXPERIENCED ATTORNEY

Dondell Patterson is proud to call Douglas County home. As a wife, mother, and attorney with more than 19 years of courtroom experience, including over 100 jury and bench trials, she has dedicated her career to serving people and protecting families.

**"Prepared on day one. Proven in the courtroom. She is ready to serve with integrity, accountability, and a deep commitment to justice for all."**

Dondell Patterson has built her career inside the courtroom, gaining a deep understanding of how the legal system works and how its decisions affect everyday people. She knows that each case represents more than a legal issue. It represents a person, a family, and a future.

That perspective shapes her approach, ensuring that every matter is handled with care, fairness, and sound judgment.

She currently serves as Deputy Director at the City of Atlanta Office of the Public Defender, where she leads attorneys, supports legal strategy, and helps guide a nationally recognized holistic defense practice focused on accountability and long-term community impact.

Throughout her career, she has worked to ensure that the justice system operates fairly, efficiently, and with respect for every individual it serves.


The Chief Magistrate Court is often where residents have their first and most direct interaction with the justice system, handling matters such as landlord tenant disputes, warrants, bond hearings, and civil claims. These are real life situations that affect families, livelihoods, and trust in our courts. These moments require a judge who listens, who is fair, and who applies the law with consistency and good judgment.

Dondell Patterson is not a career politician. She is a proven legal professional who has spent nearly two decades advocating for others, ensuring that every person is treated with dignity and respect. She believes that protecting the community and upholding fairness go hand in hand.

Douglas County deserves a Chief Magistrate Judge who is prepared on day one, who brings proven experience to the bench, and who understands both the law and the people it serves.

She is ready to serve with integrity, accountability, and a deep commitment to justice for all.

**Vote**  
**Dondell Patterson**  
for Chief Magistrate Judge  
**Early Voting:**  
**April 27 – May 15, 2026**  
**Election Day:**  
**May 19, 2026**  
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**ELECT**

# Dondell Patterson

★ ★ DOUGLAS COUNTY ★ ★

- EXPERIENCED
- FAIR
- DEDICATED
- TRUSTED



CHIEF MAGISTRATE JUDGE

*Experience You Can Trust.*


*Leadership You Can Respect.*


Attorney Dondell R. Patterson brings over **19 years of courtroom experience** and a deep commitment to **fairness, integrity, and equal justice under the law.**


She has served as lead council in over **100 jury and bench trials** and currently leads legal teams as Deputy Director of the City of Atlanta Office of the **Public Defender**, ensuring justice is delivered with professionalism, accountability, and respect for every individual.


Dondell is known for her **judicial temperament - fair, patient, and guided by the Constitution.** She believes every person deserves to be heard, respected, and treated with dignity.

QUALIFICATIONS THAT MATTER

  
100+ Trials Led




  
Proven Legal Leadership

  
Judicial Temperament

  
Commitment to the Constitution


  
Mentor & Community Advocate

COMMITMENT TO DOUGLAS COUNTY

-  Every person will enter a courtroom where **you feel respected** - regardless of the party.
-  Efficient and effective proceedings that **respect your time** while ensuring justice.
-  Expanded programming and more **community resource options** to support long-term success.


A proud graduate of **Tuskegee University** and **Thomas M. Cooley Law School**, Dondell currently serves as Deputy Director of the City of Atlanta Office of the Public Defender, where she leads attorneys and advances justice with integrity and accountability.

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