

Circuit Court Circuit Judges, Official Reporters, Judicial Circuits, and At-Large Judges

46 Judges: 33 elected by the General Assembly from the sixteen Judicial Circuits for 6-year terms; 13 elected by the General Assembly from the State at-large for 6-year terms—Act 164, 1979, Sec. 14-5-610 of the 1976 Code, amended by Act 610, 1990. Act 145, 1995 added 3 new at-large seats. Act 222, 1997 added 3 new circuit seats. Act 241, 2012, added 3 new at-large seats.

First Circuit

Counties—Calhoun, Dorchester, Orangeburg



TAYLOR, Heath Preston (2022–28), Judge of the First Circuit, Seat 1, 151 Docket St., P.O. Box 1949, Orangeburg 29116, Tel. (803) 535-2187, Fax (803) 535-2188; *b.* Oct. 10, 1972, in Columbia; *s.* George Preston and Judy Wilkes Taylor; *g.* Newberry Coll., B.A., 1995, Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1988; June 28, 2003, *m.* Julie Hartley, 2 children, Andrew Preston and Cooper Addison; Partner, Taylor Law Firm LLC, 2006–22; mem.: S.C. Bar; Lexington Co. Bar Assn.; Natl. Assn. of Criminal Defense Lawyers; S.C. Assn. of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Pres., 2010 & 2019; S.C. Bar, House of Delegates, Criminal Law, 2020–21; S.C. Sentencing Reform Oversight Comm., 2017–19; S.C. Bar, Criminal Law Council, Chm., 2018–19; S.C. Assn. for Justice, Criminal Section, Chm., 2009–22; elected Judge of the First Circuit, Seat 1, Feb. 2, 2022, to succeed Edgar W. Dickson, retired; qualified July 1, 2022.

Admin. Asst.—Catherine C. WilsonOrangeburg
Court Reporter—Katherine SpiresSwansea
Solicitor—David M. Pascoe, Jr. (2021)Summerville
Public Defender—Mark A. LeiendoekerSummerville



GOODSTEIN, Diane Schafer (1998–28), Judge of the First Circuit, Seat 2, P.O. Box 234, St. George 29477, Tel. (843) 832-0332; *b.* Dec. 1, 1955, in Dillon; *d.* Joseph M. Schafer and Helen Schafer Mast; *g.* Univ. of N.C. at Chapel Hill, B.A., 1978, J.D., 1981; Apr. 2, 1983 *m.* Arnold S. Goodstein; private practice, Good-

stein, Bowling, Douglas & Phillips, 1981–83; Partner/VP, Goodstein & Goodstein, P.A., 1983–98; Dorchester Co. Atty., 1986–88; Bd. mem.: Greater Summerville Chamber of Commerce; Hospice of Charleston; My Sister's House; S.C. Bar Professional Responsibility Com.; Dorchester Co. Centennial Com.; Bd. of Dirs., KK Beth Elohim, 2000–04; mem., Circuit Judge's Adv. Com.; Panel Chair of the Comm. on Judicial Conduct; 2012 recipient of the Pursuit of Justice Award from the Amer. Bar Assn. Litigation/Ins. Section; 2014 Portrait Recipient, S.C. Assn. for Justice; 2014–15 Del. to Amer. Bar Assn.; elected Judge of the First Circuit, Seat 2, May 5, 1998, to fulfill Act 458, 1996; qualified May 26, 1998, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst.—Karen Parker Harleyville
Law Clerk—Mark A. Hinds Orangeburg
Solicitor—David M. Pascoe, Jr. (2021) Summerville
Public Defender—Mark A. Leiendoeker Summerville

Second Circuit

Counties—Aiken, Bamberg, Barnwell

POPE, Courtney Clyburn (2019–28), Judge of the Second Circuit, Seat 1, P.O. Box Q, 109 Park Ave. SE, Aiken 29802-0680, Tel. (803) 502-9000 Ext: 4131; *b.* in Aiken; *d.* William and Beverly Clyburn; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 2001, J.D., 2007; *m.* George W. Pope III, 3 children; private practice: McAngus, Goudelock, and Courie; partner, Clyburn Pope & Price LLC; Prosecutor and City Atty. for the City of Aiken; mem., Links Inc.; Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc.; elected May 8, 2019, to fulfill the unexpired term of Doyet A. Early III, retired; qualified June 18, 2019.



Admin. Asst.—Nicole Gaines Harrison Aiken
Law Clerk—Bryan Hall Aiken
Court Reporter—vacant
Solicitor—Bill Weeks (2021) Aiken
Public Defender—D. Grant Gibbons Aiken

Third Circuit***Counties—Clarendon, Lee, Sumter, Williamsburg***

COTHRAN, Ralph Ferrell, Jr. (2006–28), Judge of the Third Circuit, Seat 1, 16 N. Brooks St., Manning 29102, Tel. (803) 435-2450; *b.* Feb. 14, 1952, in Clarendon Co.; *s.* Ralph Ferrell and Ruth Cothran; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1974, J.D., 1977; Apr. 12, 1985, *m.* Deborah Jean Brakefield, 3 children, Scott Ferrell, Michael Bailey, and stepson, Marion Epps

Dubose IV; past Chm., Clarendon Co. Election Comm.; Chm., United Way; mem.: Rotary Club, 1989–06; S.C. Bar Assn.; Clarendon Co. Bar Assn.; Clarendon Co. Atty.; Asst. Solicitor, Clarendon Co., 1983–06; Fee Dispute & Resolution Bd.; Session Presbyterian Church; elected Judge of the Third Circuit, Seat 1, Feb. 15, 2006, to fulfill the unexpired term of Thomas W. Cooper, Jr., retired; sworn in Oct. 4, 2006, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst.—Gayle Brunson *Manning Court Reporter*—vacant

Solicitor—Ernest A. Finney III (2023) *Sumter Public Defender*—Edgar R. Donnald, Jr.
Sumter



CURTIS, Kristi Fisher (2018–24), Judge of the Third Circuit, Seat 2, 215 N. Harvin St., Sumter 29150, Tel. (803) 436-2152; *b.* July 11, 1969, in Texas; *d.* Sterling M., Jr. and Bettye Jo Fisher; *g.* Univ. of S.C., 1991, B.A., 1995, J.D.; May 20, 1995, *m.* Warren S. Curtis, 2 children, Chandler and Connor; Chief Magistrate, Sumter Co., 2011–18; mem., Sumter Rotary Club, 2004–; Avenue of Service Award, 2014–15; Pres., Sumter YMCA Bd. of Dirs., 2015; mem., Alice Drive Baptist Church; elected Feb. 7, 2018, to fulfill the unexpired term of George C. “Buck” James, Jr., elected to the S.C. Supreme Court.

Fourth Circuit

Counties—Chesterfield, Darlington, Marlboro, Dillon

BURCH, Paul Michael (1991–28), Judge of the Fourth Circuit, Seat 1, P.O. Box 276, Pageland 29728, Tel. (843) 672-3270; residing in Pageland; *b.* 1954 in Charlotte, N.C.; *s.* William B. and Laura (Arant) Burch; *g.* Univ. of S.C. Lancaster, A.S., Criminal Justice, 1974; Univ. of S.C., B.S., 1976, M.A., 1978, J.D., 1980; graduate, Gen. Jurisdiction and Advanced Evidence Course of Natl. Judicial Coll., Reno, Nevada; Aug. 1, 1976, *m.* Kimberly Lee Thomas, 3 children, Kendall Renee, Ashley Lee, and Paul Michael, Jr.; Chesterfield Co. Council, 1983–88, VC, 1987–88; Atty., Town of Pageland, 1983–91; past Chm. of Trustees and Admin. Bd. of Pageland United Methodist Church; past Master, Mt. Moriah Masonic Lodge No. 58 A.F.M.; Jamil Shrine Temple; Pageland Police Dept. (6 years); Pageland Volunteer Fire Dept. (50 years); past Chm., Sandhill Ducks Unlimited; Sentencing Guidelines Comm.; Legis. Fire Caucus; House of Reps., 1988–91; Judicial Del. to the ABA Natl. Conf., 2000–02; Pres., S.C. Circuit Court Judges Assn., 2008–10; elected Judge of the Fourth Circuit, Seat 1, May 29, 1991, to fulfill the unexpired term of C. Anthony Harris, retired; qualified July 10, 1991, serving continuously since.
Admin. Asst.—Dell B. Chapman Pageland
Law Clerk—Campbell Douglas Pageland
Solicitor—Will Rogers Bennettsville
Public Defender—Matthew Rivers Dillon



HOLT, Michael S. (2021–24), Judge of the Fourth Circuit, Seat 2, Darlington Co. Courthouse, #1 Public Square, Room 402, Darlington 29532, Tel. (843) 398-4334, Fax (843) 393-7255; *b.* May 1, 1970, in Florence; *s.* Jack and Carol (Milam) Holt; *g.* Univ of S.C., B.A., 1992, J.D., 1996; Apr. 19, 1997, *m.* Sherry Burton, 2 children, Annabelle and Shea; Mayor, City of Hartsville, 2005–09; Fourth Judicial Circuit Family Court Judge, 2009–21; elected Feb. 3, 2021, to fulfill the unexpired term of Roger E. Henderson, retired.
Admin. Asst.—Celeste Braddock Darlington
Law Clerk—James Teal Darlington



Fifth Circuit
Counties—Kershaw, Richland
Seat 1—Vacant



COBLE, Daniel McLeod (2023–24), Judge of the Fifth Circuit, Seat 2, P.O. Box 192, Columbia 29202, Tel. (803) 576-1773, Fax (803) 576-1744; residing in Columbia; *g.* Clemson Univ., B.A., 2009, Univ. of S.C., J.D., 2012; elected Judge of the Fifth Circuit, Seat 2, Feb. 2, 2022, to succeed Lee Casey Manning, retired; qualified Jan. 26, 2023.

<i>Admin. Asst.</i> —Raye Jefferson	Columbia
<i>Law Clerk</i> —Victoria Elgin	Columbia
<i>Court Reporter</i> —Elizabeth Harris	Columbia
<i>Solicitor</i> —Byron E. Gipson (2023)	Columbia
<i>Public Defender</i> —Fielding Pringle	Columbia



HOOD, Robert E. (2013–27), Judge of the Fifth Circuit, Seat 3, 1701 Main St., Room 222, P.O. Box 192, Columbia 29202-0192, Tel. (803) 576-1770, Fax (803) 576-1772; *s.* H.C. and Brenda B. Hood; *g.* The Citadel, B.A., 1998; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 2001; mem., Moot Court Bar; Order of the Barristers; Asst. Solicitor; 5th Judicial Circuit, 2001–03; Asst. Atty. for the

Statewide Grand Jury, 2003–05; private practice, 2005–12; elected Feb. 1, 2012, to fulfill the unexpired term of G. Thomas Cooper, Jr., retired; qualified Jan. 2, 2013, serving continuously since.

<i>Admin. Asst.</i> —Jeanne-Marie Bolin	Columbia
<i>Court Reporter</i> —Karen Ambroziak	Blythewood
<i>Solicitor</i> —Byron E. Gipson (2023)	Columbia
<i>Public Defender</i> —Fielding Pringle	Columbia

Sixth Circuit

Counties—Chester, Lancaster, Fairfield

GIBBONS, Brian McDowell (2013–28), Judge of the Sixth Circuit, Seat 1, P.O. Box 580, Chester 29706, Tel. (803) 581-4115; residing in Chester; *b.* Nov. 24, 1966, in Orangeburg; *s.* the late I. McDowell “Mac” and Beverly Williamson Gibbons; *g.* The Citadel, B.S., 1989; Univ. of S.C. School of Law, J.D., 1992; *m.* Lorena Crouch, 3 children, Mason Bradley, Mitchell Banks, and Marshall Britt; founding Pres., Chester/Fairfield Citadel Club; private practice, Hamilton, Delleney and Gibbons, 1992–05; former city atty., Chester; former town atty., Fort Lawn and Great Falls; past Pres., Chester Rotary Club; Blackstock Bluegrass; Chester YMCA Bd.; Bd. mem., Richard Winn Academy; Sixth Circuit rep. for the S.C. Trial Lawyers Bd. of Govs.; licensed to practice in all state courts, the Fed. Dist. Court, and U.S. Court of Appeals; Family Court Judge, 2005–13; Elder, Chester Assoc. Reformed Presbyterian Church; elected Judge of the Sixth Circuit, Seat 1, May 15, 2013, to fulfill the unexpired term of Brooks Pope Goldsmith, retired.



Admin. Asst.—Tyffany Penland Chester
Law Clerk—Peyton Swancy Chester
Solicitor—Randy E. Newman, Jr. (2023) Lancaster
Public Defender—William Frick Chester

Seventh Circuit

Counties—Cherokee, Spartanburg

COLE, Joseph Derham (1992–25), Judge of the Seventh Circuit, Seat 1, P.O. Box 1744, Spartanburg 29304, Tel. (864) 596-2685; residing in Spartanburg; *b.* May 27, 1952; *s.* Claude, Jr. and Esther L. Lewis Cole; *g.* Spartanburg High School, 1970; Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1974, J.D., 1976; Aug. 10, 1974, *m.* Candace Linn Carlson, 3 children, J. Derham, Jr., Jonathan, and Carlson; mem.: Co. & S.C. Bar Assns.; Natl. Jud. Coll., Univ. of Nevada, 1993; Asst. Circuit Solicitor, Seventh Judicial Circuit, 1977–85; Chm., Spartanburg Co. House Delegation; VC, Spartanburg Co. Legis. Delegation; Order of the Palmetto;



2019 Chief Justice Claude A. Taylor Distinguished Service Award from Spartanburg Co. Bar Assn.; panel Chm., Comm. on Judicial Conduct, 2001–; VP, S.C. Assn. Circuit Judges, 2008–10, Pres., 2010–12; Del., Natl. Conf. State Trial Judges, 2010–15; mem., Amer. Bar Assn.; designated S.C. Bus. Court Judge; prev. serv. in House 1987–92; elected Judge of the Seventh Circuit, Seat 1, Feb. 5, 1992; qualified Mar. 31, 1992, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst.—Sue Pardue Spartanburg
Law Clerk—Matthew Henderson Spartanburg
Court Reporter—Linda Moffitt Spartanburg
Solicitor—Barry J. Barnette (2021) Spartanburg
Public Defender—Michael D. Morin Spartanburg



KNIE, Grace Gilchrist (2017–24) Judge of the Seventh Circuit, Seat 2, 180 Magnolia St., Spartanburg 29306; Tel. (864) 596-2285; residing in Spartanburg Co.; *b.* Aug. 13 in Augusta, Ga.; *d.* James W. and Elizabeth H. Gilchrist; *g.* Columbia Coll., B.A., 1986; 2003 *m.* Patrick E. Knie; Martindale-Hubbell AV Pre-eminent rating; mem., Super Lawyers; past Pres., Spartanburg Co. Bar Assn.; past Chm., Cinderella Prom Dress Project of the Spartanburg Co. Bar Assn.; City Prosecutor, City of Spartanburg for more than 15 years; elected Judge of the Seventh Circuit, Seat 2, Feb. 1, 2017, to fulfill the unexpired term of Roger L. Couch, retired.

Admin. Asst.—Ashley Searcy Spartanburg
Law Clerk—Jillian Lesley Spartanburg
Solicitor—Barry J. Barnette (2021) Spartanburg
Public Defender—Michael D. Morin Spartanburg

Eighth Circuit

Counties—Abbeville, Greenwood, Laurens, Newberry



ADDY, Frank R., Jr. (2010–28) Judge of the Eighth Circuit, Seat 1, 528 Monument St., Suite 210, Greenwood 29646, Tel. (864) 943-8020, Fax (864) 942-8581; *b.* Nov. 5, 1967 in Greenwood; *s.* Mary Katherine and the late F. Robert Addy, Sr.; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1990, J.D., 1993; *m.* Kelly Sprouse; Univ. of S.C. School of Law, Articles Editor for the Student Editorial Bd. of the Real Property, Probate, and Trust Journal; Pres., Intl.

Law Soc.; Intl. Moot Court Team; mem., Palmetto Law Soc.; admitted to the S.C. Bar, 1993; former Asst. Solicitor, Eighth Circuit; Dep. Solicitor, 1995; private practice, 1997; Public Defender, Greenwood and Abbeville Cos., 1998–99; Greenwood Co. Probate Judge, 1999–10; Chm., Probate Judge's Adv. Com. to the Chief Justice, 2001–03; Exec. of the Year award from the Emerald Chap. of the IAAP, 2003; Pres., S.C. Assn. of Probate Judges, 2005–06; Special Circuit Judge, 2006–07; mem.: Greenwood Masonic Lodge #91; St. Mark United Methodist Church; Judge, Eighth Circuit Drug Court, 2008–; elected Judge of the Eighth Circuit, Seat 1, Feb. 3, 2010, to fulfill the unexpired term of Wyatt Saunders, deceased; qualified Apr. 19, 2010, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst.—Freda SartinGreenwood
Law Clerk—Darcy ComptonGreenwood
Solicitor—David M. Stumbo (2021)Greenwood
Public Defender—Chelsea B. McNeillGreenwood

GRIFFITH, Eugene C. (2009–24), Judge of the Eighth Circuit, Seat 2, 1226 College St., Newberry 29108, Tel. (803) 321-1430, *b.* Dec. 12, 1964; *s.* the late Eugene C. and Anne Bruner Griffith; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.S., Bus. Admin., 1987, J.D., 1990; 3 children, Cannon, Geena, and Patrick; Griffith Law Firm, 1992–97; Rushing and Griffith, P.C., 1997–09; Special Prosecutor for the Eighth Judicial Circuit, 2005–09; Newberry City Atty., 1994–09; mem.: Circuit Court Judges Adv. Com.; S.C. Assn. for Justice & Amer. Assn. for Justice; ABA, S.C. Bar, Newberry Co. Bar; Newberry Country Club Bd. of Dirs., 2000–02; Dixie Youth Baseball, Coach, 2000–11; Newberry Co. Chamber of Commerce, 1998–09; Piedmont Citizens Com. on Judicial Qualifications, 2004–06; Newberry Co. Tax Adv. Com., 2006–09; Central United Methodist Church: Youth Group Coordinator, former Admin. Bd. Chair, Treas., and Fin. Com. Chair; elected Judge of the Eighth Circuit, Seat 2, Feb. 11, 2009, to fulfill the unexpired term of J. W. Johnson, deceased; qualified Feb. 27, 2009, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst.—Amy L. Shealy
Solicitor—David M. Stumbo (2021)Greenwood
Public Defender—Chelsea B. McNeillGreenwood



Ninth Circuit

Counties—Charleston, Berkeley



JEFFERSON, Deadra L. (2001–25), Judge of the Ninth Circuit, Seat 1, 100 Broad St., Suite 336, Charleston 29401-2283, Tel. (843) 958-5147, Fax (843) 958-5148; *b.* Charleston; *g.* Converse Coll., B.A.; Univ. of S.C., J.D.; law clerk to the Hon. Richard E. Fields; *Who's Who Among Amer. Coll. and Univ. Students*; Junior League of Charleston, 1993–03; Delta Sigma Theta Sor. Inc.; mem.: Life Center of Charleston, Bd. of Trustees, 2000; Bd. of Trustees, Converse Coll., 2002–19; Bd. of Advisors, Charleston School of Law, 2003–; Charleston Chap. of Links Inc.; Liberty Fellowship; Judge of the Family Court, Ninth Judicial Circuit, Seat 5, 1996–01; elected Judge of the Ninth Circuit, Seat 1, May 30, 2001, to succeed Daniel E. Martin, retired; qualified July 2, 2001, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst.—Chanda Sheppard Charleston
Court Reporter—vacant
Solicitor—Scarlett Wilson (2021) Charleston
Public Defender—Cameron Blazer Charleston



PRICE, Bentley D. (2019–25), Judge of the Ninth Circuit, Seat 2, 100 Broad St., Suite 432, Charleston 29401, Tel. (843) 958-4450, Fax (843) 958-5095; *b.* Oct. 19, 1976; *s.* Jimmy D. and Judy L. Price; *g.* Wofford Coll., 1999; Stetson Univ. Coll. of Law, J.D., 2002; married, 2 children; elected Judge of the Ninth Circuit, Seat 2, Feb. 6, 2019; qualified Mar. 4, 2019.

Admin. Asst.—Tamara Walters Charleston
Law Clerk—Haley Kiser Charleston
Solicitor—Scarlett Wilson (2021) Charleston
Public Defender—Cameron Blazer Charleston

YOUNG, Roger M., Sr. (2003–27), Judge of the Ninth Circuit, Seat 3, 100 Broad St., Charleston 29401, Tel. (843) 958-2015, Fax (843) 958-5108; *g.* Charleston Southern Univ., B.S., 1980; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1983; Univ. of Nevada-Reno, M.J.S., 2000; *m.* Tara Amick Young; N. Charleston Municipal Court Judge, 1988–90; S.C. House of Reps., 1990–94; Charleston Co. Master-in-Equity, 1996–03; elected Judge of the Ninth Circuit, Seat 3, May 29, 2002, to succeed A. Victor Rawl, retired; qualified July 11, 2003, serving continuously since.



Admin. Asst.—Robyn Hills Johns Island
Law Clerk—Max Mazurek Charleston
Court Reporter—vacant
Solicitor—Scarlett Wilson (2021) Charleston
Public Defender—Cameron Blazer Charleston

Tenth Circuit

Counties—Anderson, Oconee

McINTOSH, Rivers Lawton (2009–25), Judge of the Tenth Circuit, Seat 1, P.O. Box 8002, Anderson 29622, Tel. (864) 260-4059; *b.* Apr. 10, 1960, in Anderson; *s.* Jack F. and Frances Varn McIntosh; *g.* Wofford, 1982; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1986; 1 daughter, Katie; private practice, 1987–09; mem.: St. John's Methodist Church; elected Judge of the Tenth Circuit, Seat 1, May 13, 2009, to succeed J. C. Nicholson, retired; qualified July 21, 2009, serving continuously since.



Admin. Asst.—Tammy Jennings Anderson
Law Clerk—Megan Helton Anderson
Court Reporter—vacant
Solicitor—David Wagner (2021) Anderson
Public Defender—Jennifer Johnson Anderson



SPROUSE, R. Scott (2015–24), Judge of the Tenth Circuit, Seat 2, P.O. Box 1277, Walhalla 29691, Tel. (864) 638-4266; residing in Walhalla; *b.* July 5, 1964 in Scottsboro, Ala.; *s.* Bobby J. Sprouse and Dorothy Bridges Sprouse; *g.* Clemson Univ., B.A., 1985; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1989; *m.* Mary Stoudemire Sprouse, 2 children, Robert Ward and John Pegram; City Atty., City of Westminster, 1992–14; Hearing Off., ABC Comm., 1993–94; Municipal Judge, City of Walhalla, 1996–14; Municipal Judge, Town of Salem, 2011–14; mem.: S.C. Bar Assn.; Oconee Co. Bar Assn.; S.C. Assn. for Justice (f/k/a SCTLA), 1993–14; Amer. Assn. for Justice (f/k/a ATLA), 1993–14; Natl. Judicial Coll., Reno, NV, American Bar Assn. Judicial Div.; Seneca Sertoma Club, 1991–09; mem., St. John’s Lutheran Church in Walhalla; elected Judge of the Tenth Circuit, Seat 2, May 28, 2014, to succeed The Hon. Alexander S. Macaulay, retired.

Admin. Asst.—Renee Hattenstein Westminster
Law Clerk—Perry Rupert Hartwell, GA
Court Reporter—Mona Manley Westminster
Solicitor—David R. Wagner (2021) Anderson
Solicitor—Jennifer Johnson Anderson

Eleventh Circuit

Counties—Lexington, Saluda, Edgefield, McCormick



KEESLEY, William Paul (1991–24), Judge of the Eleventh Circuit, Seat 1, P.O. Box 10, Edgefield 29824, Tel. (803) 637-4095; residing in Edgefield; *b.* 1953 in Augusta, Ga.; *s.* the late Archie E. and Lois Keesley; *g.* Wofford Coll., B.A., Govt., 1975; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1978; *m.* Linda F. Black, 1 child, Kylie; Phi Beta Kappa, 1975; past Pres., Edgefield Co. Bar Assn.; former Tri-County Public Defender; former Asst. Solicitor, 11th Circuit; mem., House of Reps., 1989–91; elected Judge of the Eleventh Circuit, Seat 1, May 8, 1991, to fulfill the unexpired term of Hubert E. Long, retired; qualified Aug. 13, 1991, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst.—Nancy C. Turner Johnston
Solicitor—S. Richardson Hubbard (2023) Lexington
Public Defender—Sarah Mauldin Lexington

McLEOD, Walton James “Tad” IV (2018–24), Judge of the Eleventh Circuit, Seat 2, 205 E. Main St., Lexington 29072, Tel. (803) 785-8239; residing in Lexington Co.; *b.* in Columbia; *s.* Walton J. McLeod III and Julie Hamiter McLeod; *g.* Tulane Univ., B.A., 2001; Univ. of S.C., School of Law, J.D., 2008; attended Gray’s Inn, London, England, 2006; Apr. 18, 2009, *m.* Catherine Nelson, 3 children; Eagle Scout, 1994; Judicial Law Clerk for Hon. James R. Barber III, 2008–09; private practice, Woods Law Firm, Lexington, S.C. 2009–11; Mike Kelly Law Group, 2011–15; McLeod Law Group, 2015–18; mem.: Richland Sertoma Club, 2011–16; S.C. Bar Conventions Com., Chm., 2016–18; American Legion 2002–; Lifetime mem., Veterans of Foreign Wars; mil. serv.: U.S. Navy 2001–05; Navigator, USS MITSCHER; Strike Warfare Officer, USS THORN; elected Judge of the Eleventh Circuit, Seat 2, February 7, 2018.

Admin. Asst.—Rhoda Hinson Columbia
Law Clerk—Ariyana Gore Columbia
Court Reporter—Bethany Creppon Lexington
Solicitor—S. Richardson Hubbard (2023) Lexington
Public Defender—Robert M. Madsen Lexington



Twelfth Circuit

Counties—Florence, Marion

NETTLES, Michael Gary (2005–24), Judge of the Twelfth Circuit, Seat 1, 181 N. Irby St., Suite 3610, Florence 29501, Tel (843) 292-7433, Fax (843) 292-7436, email: mnettlessc@sccourts.org; residing at 311 Lancelot Way, Lake City; *b.* Mar. 9, 1959, in Lake City; *s.* the late E. LeRoy Nettles, Sr. and the late Beverly Herlong Nettles; *g.* The Carolina Academy, 1977; Wofford Coll., B.A., *cum laude*, 1981; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1984; May 17, 1986, *m.* the late Donna Jean Hicks, 3 children, Megan Herlong, Lauren Elizabeth, and Jason Michael; mem., Lake City First Baptist Church; Pres., Lake City Rotary, 1989; elected Judge of the Twelfth Circuit, Seat 1, Feb. 2, 2005, to fulfill the unexpired term of B. Hicks Harwell, Jr., retired; qualified Feb. 22, 2005, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst.—Sherrie Byrd Florence
Law Clerk—Maagan Burns Florence



<i>Solicitor</i> —Edgar L. Clements III (2023)	Florence
<i>Public Defender</i> —Scott P. Floyd	Florence

Thirteenth Circuit

Counties—Greenville, Pickens



GRAVELY, Perry H. (2015–28), Judge of the Thirteenth Circuit, Seat 1, P.O. Box 219, Pickens 29671, Tel. (864) 898-5790, email: pgravelyj@sccourts.org; *g.* Wofford Coll., B.A., *summa cum laude*, 1983; Univ. of S.C. School of Law, J.D., Order of Wig and Robe, 1986; Assoc., Leatherwood, Walker, Todd and Mann, 1986–92; Assoc. and partner, Acker, Acker, Welmaker and Johnson, 1992–95; sole practitioner, The Gravely Law Firm, P.A., 1995–15; Municipal Judge for the City of Pickens, 2003–15; S.C. Bar House of Delegates; finalist for Pro Bono Lawyer of the Year, 1989; Bronze Compleat Lawyer Award from the Univ. of S.C. School of Law Alumni Assn., 1995; elected Judge of the Thirteenth Circuit, Seat 1, Feb. 4, 2015, to fulfill the unexpired term of G. Edward Welmaker, retired; re-elected for 2nd term, Feb. 2, 2022.

Admin. Asst.—Laura Colwell Pickens
Law Clerk—Will Hellams Pickens
Solicitor—W. Walter Wilkins III (2023) Greenville
Public Defender—Mindy Lipinski Greenville

Seat 2—Vacant



MORGAN, G.D., Jr. (2021–27), Judge of the Thirteenth Circuit, Seat 3, Co. Courthouse, 305 E. North St., Suite 315, Greenville 29601, Tel. (864) 467-8406, Fax (864) 235-3625; *b.* 1960 in Greenville; The Citadel, B.A., 1982; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1985; former atty.: McCutchen, Blanton, Rhodes & Johnson; McAngus, Goudelock and Courie; former mem., American Bd. of Trial Advocates (ABOTA); mem.: Greenville Co. Bar Assn., S.C. Bar Assn., S.C. Defense Trial Attorneys' Assn., and the Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel; admitted to practice in all S.C. state courts, U.S. District Court for the Dist. of S.C., and the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals; elected judge of the Thirteenth Circuit, Seat 3, Feb. 5, 2021, to succeed Robin B. Stilwell, retired.

Admin. Asst.—Brittany Long Greenville
Law Clerk—Robert Barrow Greenville

Solicitor—W. Walter Wilkins III (2023) Greenville
Court Reporter—vacant

Public Defender—Mindy Lipinski Greenville

KINLAW, Alex, Jr. (2018–28), Judge of the Thirteenth Circuit, Seat 4, 305 E. North St., Greenville 29601, Tel. (864) 467-8551; s. Rev. Alex, Sr. and Corine Giles Kinlaw; g. Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1975, J.D., 1978, Natl. Coll. of Criminal Defense Lawyers, 1981; m. Yvette Wiggins, 2 children, Brandon and Alex III; atty., S.C. Legal Servs., 1978–80; Greenville Co. Asst.



Public Defender, 1980–81; past Bd. mem.: Legal Servs. Agency of Western Carolina, Greenville Urban League, Housing Bd. of the Urban League of the Upstate; Greenville Co. Mental Health Bd., Greenville Cultural Exchange Bd.; admitted to practice in all S.C. Courts, U.S. Dist. Court for the Dist. of S.C., and U.S. Supreme Court; mem.: S.C. Bar; Greenville Co. Bar; Natl. Bar Assn.; Donald James Sampson Bar Assn.; Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity; Sigma Psi Fraternity; mem. & Deacon, Reedy River Missionary Baptist Church; elected Feb. 7, 2018, to fulfill the unexpired term of David Garrison “Gary” Hill, elected to the Court of Appeals.

Admin. Asst.—Shannon Thurman Simpsonville

Law Clerk—Alexis Watson Greenville

Solicitor—W. Walter Wilkins III (2023) Greenville

Public Defender—Mindy Lipinski Greenville

Fourteenth Circuit

Counties—Allendale, Hampton, Colleton, Jasper, Beaufort

BONDS, Robert (2021–24), Judge of the Fourteenth Circuit, Seat 1, 101 Hampton St., Walterboro 29488, Tel. (843) 549-7878, Fax (843) 549-9876; b. Sept. 30, 1963, in Aiken; s. Jack and Helen Bonds; g. UNC-Chapel Hill, B.A., 1986; Campbell Univ. School of Law, 1990, J.D.; Nov. 2, 1991, m. Harriet Ashby Bonds, 3 children, Ashby, Jack, and Robert; Walterboro Rotary Club Pres., 1996–97, 2020–21; Lowcountry Council of Govt., Chm., 2018–19; Walterboro City Council, 2011–19; mem., Bethel United Methodist Church, past Chm. Church Council; elected Judge of the Fourteenth Circuit, Seat 1, Feb. 3, 2021, to succeed Perry M. Buckner III, retired.



Admin. Asst.—Gayle Benton Walterboro
Law Clerk—Carlos Cordero Walterboro
Court Reporter—vacant

Solicitor—Isaac M. Stone III (2021) Hilton Head
Public Defender—Stephanie Smart-Gittings Beaufort



MULLEN, Carmen T. (2006–27), Judge of the Fourteenth Circuit, Seat 2, 100 Ribaut Rd., Beaufort 29901; residing at Hilton Head Island; *b.* Apr. 18, 1968, in California; *d.* David Russell Tevis III and Julie Anne Tevis; *g.* Indiana Univ., B.A., 1990; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1994; Clemson Univ., M.A., 1998; July 26, 2004, *m.* George E. Mullen, 4 children, Lauren Alexandra, George “Chip”, Jr., Toria Tigue, and Tevis Marie; law clerk to Hon. L. Casey Manning; Charleston Co. Asst. Public Defender; Staff Atty., House of Reps. Labor, Commerce and Industry Com.; private practice, 1998–06; elected Judge of the Fourteenth Circuit, Seat 2, Feb. 15, 2006, to fulfill the unexpired term of Jackson V. Gregory, retired; qualified July 17, 2006, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst.—Jamie Rhett Beaufort
Law Clerk—Micah C. Deveaux Beaufort
Solicitor—Isaac M. Stone III (2021) Hilton Head
Public Defender—Stephanie Smart-Gittings Beaufort

Fifteenth Circuit

Counties—Georgetown, Horry



HYMAN, B. ALEX (2023–28), Judge of the Fifteenth Circuit, Seat 1, 1301 Second Ave., Conway 29526, Tel. (843) 915-6696, Fax (843) 915-5859; *b.* Jan. 13, 1980, in Conway; *s.* Larry and Meredith Hyman; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 2002; Univ. of Arkansas-Little Rock, J.D., 2006; *m.* Tammi B. Hyman, 2 children, Lois “Loey” Leigh and Benjamin Alexander, Jr.; past mem., Conway City Council; former Owner, Hyman Law Group; elected Judge of the Fifteenth Circuit, Seat 1, Feb. 8, 2023.

Admin. Asst.—vacant

Law Clerk—vacant

Solicitor—Jimmy A. Richardson (2023) Conway
Public Defender—Ronald W. Hazzard Conway

CULBERTSON, Benjamin H. (2007–27), Judge of the Fifteenth Circuit, Seat 2, P.O. Box 479, Georgetown 29442, Tel. (843) 545-3030, Fax (843) 545-3282; *b.* Feb. 24, 1959, in Laurens; *s.* the late Harley C. Culbertson and the late Laura H. Culbertson; *g.* The Citadel, B.A., 1981; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1984; Sept. 14, 1985, *m.* Renee Kinsey, 3 children, Jay, Max, and Maggie; firm of Schneider and O'Donnell, P.A., 1985–90; private practice, Law Office of Benjamin H. Culbertson, P.A., 1991–07; Asst. Municipal Court Judge, City of Georgetown, 1985–96; Georgetown Co. Master-In-Equity, 1996–07; mem.: S.C. Bar Assn.; Citadel Alumni Assn.; Brigadier Club; Georgetown Cotillion Club; Winyah Indigo Soc.; mem., Duncan Memorial United Methodist Church; elected Judge of the Fifteenth Circuit, Seat 2, May 23, 2007, to fulfill the unexpired term of Paula Thomas, elected to the Court of Appeals; qualified July 5, 2007, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst.—Ramona Moree Andrews
Law Clerk—Joseph C. Heath Lake City
Court Reporter—vacant
Solicitor—Jimmy A. Richardson (2023) Conway
Public Defender—Ronald Hazzard Conway



Sixteenth Circuit

Counties—Union, York

McKINNON, WILLIAM A. “BILL” (2018–28), Judge of the Sixteenth Circuit, Seat 1, Moss Justice Center, 1675-1H York Hwy., York 29745, Tel. (803) 628-3047; residing in Rock Hill; *b.* in Raleigh, N.C.; *s.* Halbert H. and Gail T. McKinnon; *g.* Princeton Univ., A.B., 1995; Univ. of S.C., *magna cum laude*, J.D., 2001; *m.* Ellen Whitley, 1 daughter, Elspeth, 1 stepchild, Bristol; law clerk to Chief Judge Joseph F. Anderson, Jr. in the Dist. of S.C.; law clerk: Andrew J. Kleinfeld, U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit; private practice: Covington & Burling in Washington, D.C., Lewis Babcock & Hawkins in Columbia, and McGowan, Hood & Felder in Rock Hill; Asst. Solicitor, Sixteenth Circuit Solicitor’s Office; admitted to bars: S.C., Washington, D.C., Dist. of S.C., and U.S. Supreme Court; ordained Elder, Westminster Presbyterian Church;



elected Judge of the Sixteenth Circuit, Seat 1, Feb. 7, 2018, to fulfill the unexpired term of John C. Hayes III, retired.

Admin. Asst.—Piper Hopper Great Falls

Law Clerk—Matthew Hughes Rock Hill

Solicitor—Kevin S. Brackett (2021) York

Public Defender—B.J. Barrowclough York



HALL, Daniel D. (2015–28), Judge of the Sixteenth Circuit, Seat 2, Moss Justice Center, 1675-1J York Hwy., York 29745, Tel. (803) 628-3048; residing at 1711 Filbert Hwy., York; *b.* Oct. 2, 1954, in York; *s.* John Q. and Jean Quinn Hall; *g.* Clemson Univ., B.S., 1976; Campbell Univ. School of Law, J.D., 1988; Feb. 26,

1977, *m.* Cathleen (Cathy) McCreight, 4 chil-

dren, Charlie, Daniel, Jeannie, and Margaret; former Cattle Mgr., Sampson Co. N.C.; licensed to practice law in N.C. and S.C.; Asst. Solicitor, Sixteenth Judicial Circuit; Asst. Public Defender, Sixteenth Circuit; Municipal Judge for city of York; gen. practice of law from 1991–98; mem., Elder & Sunday School teacher, Filbert Presbyterian Church; elected Judge of the Sixteenth Circuit, Seat 2, May 28, 2014, to fulfill the unexpired term of Lee S. Alford, retired.

Admin. Asst.—Renée Barker York

Law Clerk—Andre Coaxum York

Court Reporter—vacant

Solicitor—Kevin S. Brackett (2021) York

Public Defender—B.J. Barrowclough York

At-Large Seat 1



McFADDIN, George M., Jr. (2017–27), Judge at-large, Seat 1, 215 N. Harvin St., Sumter 29150, Tel. (803) 436-2373; *b.* Nov. 4, 1954, in Sumter; *s.* the late G. Marion McFaddin, Sr., and the late Joan Dennis McFaddin; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1978, M.P.A., 1979, J.D., 1985; Elder, Salem Black River Presbyterian Church; Family Court Judge

Third Circuit, Seat 1, 2002–17; elected Circuit Court Judge at-large Seat 1, Feb. 1, 2017, to fulfill the unexpired term of W. Jeffrey Young, retired.

Admin. Asst.—Andrea L. Morris Sumter

Law Clerk—Madison C. Killen Sumter

<i>Solicitor</i> —Ernest A. Finney III (2023)	Sumter
<i>Public Defender</i> —Edgar R. Donnald, Jr.	Sumter

At-Large Seat 2

GRiffin, Ryan Kirk (2020–27), Judge at-large, Seat 2, Sumter Co. Judicial Center, 215 N. Harvin St., Sumter 29150, Tel. (803) 436-2150; *s.* Charles L. III and Peggy Hodge Griffin; *g.* Wofford Coll., B.A., 1996; Univ. of S.C. School of Law, J.D., 2000; May 17, 2003, *m.* Suzanne Burch, 2 children, Mary Margaret and Ryan Kirk, Jr.; Judicial Law Clerk for Thomas W. Cooper, Jr., 2000–01; private practice, 2001–07; Third Judicial Circuit Asst. Solicitor, 2007–11; Dep. Solicitor, 2011–19; elected Judge at-large, Seat 2, Feb. 6, 2019, to succeed R. Markley Dennis, Jr., retired.



<i>Admin. Asst.</i> —Debra Flinchum	Sumter
<i>Law Clerk</i> —Molly Sue Harmon	Sumter
<i>Solicitor</i> —Ernest A. Finney III (2023)	Sumter
<i>Public Defender</i> —Edgar R. Donnald, Jr.	Sumter

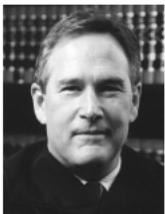
At-Large Seat 3

NEWMAN, Clifton (2000–21), Judge at-large, Seat 3, Courthouse, 125 W. Main St., Kingstree 29956, Tel. (843) 355-9321, ext. 137, Fax (843) 355-9301; *b.* in Kingstree; *s.* the late Dr. Marion Louis Newman, Sr. and Alice Newman; *g.* Cleveland State Univ., B.A.; Cleveland-Marshall Coll. of Law, J.D.; married with 4 children; Partner, Belcher & Newman, Cleveland, Ohio, 1976–81; private law practice, Kingstree and Columbia, 1982–94; Asst. Solicitor, Williamsburg Co., 1983–00; Managing Partner, Newman and Sabb, P.A., 1994–00; mem.: S.C. Bar Assn.; Williamsburg Co. Bar Assn.; Circuit Court Adv. Com.; Chief Justice Comm. on Professionalism; Comm. on Judicial Conduct; presiding Judge Multi-week Trial Docket, 2009; Criminal Rules Task Force; Rules Adv. Comm.; Amer. Coll. of Bus. Court Judges; Kappa Alpha Psi Frat; Williamsburg Co. Historical Preservation Award; Trustee and Pres., United Methodist Men, I. DeQuincey Newman United Methodist Church; elected Judge at-large, Seat 3, May 24, 2000; re-elected Apr. 9, 2003, and Feb. 11, 2009, serving continuously since.



Admin. Asst.—Katherine W. Sabb-Graham Kingstree
Solicitor—Ernest A. Finney III (2023) Sumter
Public Defender—Jack D. Howle, Jr. Sumter

At-Large Seat 4



MILLER, Edward W. (2002–27), Judge at-large, Seat 4, 305 E. North St., Greenville 29601, Tel. (864) 467-8560; residing at 44 W. Avondale Dr., Greenville 29609; *b.* Sept. 24, 1952, in Chicago, Ill.; *s.* Robert A. and Mary Price Miller; *g.* Johns Hopkins Univ., B.A., 1974; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1978; Dec. 30, 1978, *m.* Martha Walker Albrecht, 2 children, Elizabeth and Walter; elected Judge at-large, Seat 4, May 29, 2002, to succeed Joseph J. Watson, retired; sworn in Aug. 29, 2002, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst.—April Deitz Greenville
Law Clerk—Jake Lewis Greenville
Solicitor—W. Walter Wilkins III (2023) Greenville
Public Defender—Mindy Lipinski Greenville

At-Large Seat 5



HAYES, J. Mark II (2003–22), Judge at-large, Seat 5, 180 Magnolia St., Spartanburg 29306, Tel. (864) 562-4144, Fax (864) 562-4142; *b.* Aug. 6, 1958; *s.* J. M. and Edith Roland Hayes; *g.* Wofford Coll., B.A., 1980; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1984; Intern, U.S. Senator Strom Thurmond, 1977; Blue Key, Order of the Barristers, Moot Court Bd.; listed in *Who's Who Among Students in Amer. Colls. & Univs.* and *Who's Who Among Amer. Law Students*; clerk for the Honorable E. C. Burnett III, 1984; private practice, Burts, Turner, Hammett, Harrison & Rhodes, 1985; Harrison & Hayes Law Firm, 1991; Harrison, White, Smith, Hayes & Coggins, P.C., 2000; former Chm., Spartanburg Memorial Auditorium Comm., 2001; former mem., S.C. Comm. on Lawyer Conduct; mem.: Amer. Bar Assn.; S.C. Trial Lawyers Assn.; S.C. School Bd. Lawyer's Assn.; graduate of the Natl. Judicial Coll. Gen. Jurisdiction, 2004; Del., ABA Natl. Conf. of State Trial Judges, 2005–07; 2006 Natl. VC STJD Com. on Judicial Independence; 2007 Host/Presenter "The Constitution: The Third Branch of Govt., An Insider's View," Wofford Coll.; Spartanburg Co. Bar Assn. CLE, Genetic

Admin. Asst.—April Deitz Greenville
Law Clerk—Jake Lewis Greenville
Solicitor—W. Walter Wilkins III (2023) Greenville
Public Defender—Mindy Lipinski Greenville

Privacy and the Fourth Amendment: Unregulated Surreptitious DNA Harvesting, Panelist, Wofford Coll., Spartanburg, S.C., Feb. 2014; S.C. Magistrates Annual Training presenter, "DUI in S.C. Legal Update: Video Recording Challenges and Expert Witnesses," W. Cola., S.C., Nov. 2013; 2008–10 Natl. Chm. STJD/ABA Com. Fair and Impartial Courts; 2009 Spartanburg Bar Assn. Law Day Speaker; admitted to practice in all S.C. state courts, U.S. Dist. Courts of S.C., Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, and the U.S. Supreme Court; former mem., Supreme Court Comm. on Continuing Legal Educ. and Specialization; mem., St. Christopher's Episcopal Church; former Bd. mem., 721 Ministries; 2009 Chm., Piedmont Area Boy Scouts; 2010 SCAJ's Auto Tort Speaker, "Ethics—A Thin Thread to Runnymede" and published by the Amer. Bd. of Trial Advocates, Spring 2011, *Voir Dire*; featured in the Spring 2014 (cover) issue of *The Justice Bulletin*, a publication of the S.C. Assn. of Justice; JOL Serv.: *Highway to Justice*, from the ABA and the Natl. Hwy. Traffic Safety Admin., Fall 2013; "A Quick View of S.C. DUI Videotaping Statute: The Mandates and Interpretations You Need to Know to Represent Your DUI Client" as published in the May 2014 edition of *The S.C. Lawyers*; "Shakespeare, Really, 'Let's Kill All the Lawyers,' Even the Heroes Among Them?" as published in the Fall issue of *The Justice Bulletin*, a publication of the S.C. Assn. of Justice; 2011 Spartanburg Co. Bar Assn. Justice Claude A. Taylor Distinguished Serv. Award; 2012 presenter to S.C. Defense Trial Atty. Assn. Summer Meeting; Charlotte School of Law, Legends and Leaders in the Law speaker, Nov., 2012; Amer. Bar Assn. Judicial Outreach Liaison Region 4, 2013; elected Judge at-large, Seat 5, Apr. 9, 2003, to fulfill the unexpired term and subsequent full term of Gary E. Clary, retired; qualified May 22, 2003, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst.—Sharyn M. Walker Spartanburg
Law Clerk—Joseph Hanna Spartanburg
Solicitor—Barry J. Barnette (2021) Spartanburg
Public Defender—Michael D. Morin Spartanburg

At-Large Seat 6



SEALS, William Henry, Jr. (2009–27), Judge at-large, Seat 6, 103 N. Main St., Marion 29571, Tel. (843) 423-0446, Fax (843) 423-0535; *b.* in Marion; *s.* William H. Seals (atty. & USMC) and Melba Seals; *g.* Charleston Southern Univ., B.S., 1982; Cumberland School of Law, J.D., 1990; *m.* Phoebe Anderson Richardson, 1 child, William Henry III; Cumberland Trial Advocacy team; Seals and Brogdon; Seals Law Firm; mem.: Marion Co. Bar Assn.; Marion Rotary Club; S.C. Bar House of Dels.; Toastmaster Intl.; Marion Memorial Hosp. Ethics Comm.; Bd. of Dirs., Marion Chamber of Commerce; Marion Arts Council; Bd. of Dirs., Pee Dee Academy; past Pee Dee Academy Shotgun Coach; numerous combat pistol courses graduate; inclusion S.C. Counsel of Mediation and ADR Roster of Civil Mediators; 1996–09, Marion Municipal Court Judge; Circuit Court Judge Rep. S.C. Comm. on CLE & Specialization; graduate Natl. Judicial Coll., Univ. of Nev. at Reno; elected Judge at-large, Seat 6, Feb. 11, 2009, to fulfill the unexpired and subsequent term of James E. Lockemy; qualified Apr. 21, 2009, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst.—Anna B. Meetze Marion
Solicitor—Edgar L. Clements III (2023) Florence
Public Defender—Scott Floyd Florence

At-Large Seat 7



MADDOX, J. Cordell (2002–27), Judge at-large, Seat 7, 100 S. Main St., P.O. Box 8002, Anderson 29622, Tel. (864) 260-4636, Fax (864) 260-6348; *b.* June 14, 1958, in Richland County; *s.* J. Cordell Maddox, Sr. and Brona Faye Morefield Maddox; *g.* Furman Univ., B.S., 1980; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1983; *m.* Donna Schwartz Maddox, 4 children, Jess, Brett, Hunter, and Steven; Pres., Anderson Heart Assn., 1993; Secy., YMCA Bd. of Dirs., 1995–96; Hospice Bd., 1996; ASTAR Science & Tech. Fellow; mem.: First Baptist Church, Anderson, former VC, Deacon Bd. and Trustee; S.C. House of Reps., 1996–00; elected Judge at-large, Seat 7, Feb. 8, 2002, to fulfill the unexpired term of J. C. Nicholson, Jr., elected to Tenth Circuit; qualified Mar. 5, 2002, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst.—Cindy Hicks Anderson
Law Clerk—William Smith Anderson

Solicitor—David R. Wagner (2021)Anderson
Public Defender—Jennifer L. JohnsonAnderson

At-Large Seat 8

BROWN, David C. (2010–27), Judge at-large, Seat 8, 181 N. Irby St., Suite 3605, Florence 29501, Tel. (843) 679-7156, Fax (843) 679-7157; *b.* Feb. 28, 1969, in Sumter; *s.* David H. and Mary M. Brown; *g.* The Citadel, B.S., 1992; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1997; *m.* Kay Hunt, 3 children; law clerk, Judge M. Duane Shuler, 1997; admitted to practice law in S.C. state courts, Fed. Dist. Court for S.C., and Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals; law firm of Bridges, Orr, Derrick & Ervin, 1998–01; private practice, 2001–10; past adjunct professor, Florence-Darlington Tech. Coll. & Francis Marion Univ.; Comr., Florence Co. Voter Registration & Elections; mem., Cornerstone Baptist Church; elected Judge at-large, Seat 8, Feb. 3, 2010, to fill seat of Kenneth Goode, term expired; qualified Mar. 26, 2010, serving continuously since.



Admin. Asst.—Stacey MintonFlorence
Law Clerk—Deyjenay GregoryFlorence

At-Large Seat 9

McCOY, Jennifer Blanchard (2018–27), Judge at-large, Seat 9, 100 Broad St., Suite 348, Charleston 29401, Tel. (843) 958-5066, Fax (843) 958-5067; *m.* Peter M. McCoy, Jr.; elected Judge at-large, Seat 9, Feb. 7, 2018; re-elected Feb. 3, 2021, serving continuously since.



Admin. Asst.—Brooke SladeCharleston
Law Clerk—Jordan MalloyCharleston

At-Large Seat 10

NEWMAN, Jocelyn (2016–21), Judge at-large, Seat 10, P.O. Box 192, Columbia 29202, Tel. (803) 576-1779, Fax (803) 576-1782; *b.* Nov. 3, 1977, in Cleveland, Ohio; *d.* Clifton and Patricia Blanton Newman; attended Duke Univ.; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.S., 1999; Howard Univ., J.D., 2004; Howard Univ. Merit Scholar; admitted to S.C. Bar, 2004; admitted to practice in the U.S.



Dist. Court for the Dist. of S.C. & the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals; judicial law clerk for retired Circuit Court Judge G. Thomas Cooper, Jr.; former Asst. Solicitor, Fifth Judicial Circuit; private practice, law firm of Richardson Plowden & Robinson, P.A. in Cola.; former mem., Bd. of Dirs., S.C. Bar Foundation; former Assoc. mem., S.C. Bd. of Law Examiners; former mem., Friends Adv. Bd., Ronald McDonald House; mem. & former Treas., John Belton O'Neal Inn of Court; Richland Co. Bar Assn.; S.C. Black Lawyers Assn.; S.C. Women Lawyers Assn.; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sor. Inc.; Amer. Mensa; mem., I. DeQuincey Newman United Methodist Church, Cola.; elected Judge at-large, Seat 10, Feb. 3, 2016, to fulfill the unexpired term of James R. Barber III, retired.

Law Clerk—Nazaire Rutledge Columbia

Law Clerk—Austin Sheheen Columbia

At-Large Seat 11



LEE, Alison Renee (1999–26), Judge at-large, Seat 11, 1701 Main St., Suite 324, Columbia 29202, Tel. (803) 576-1765, Fax (803) 576-1768; *b.* in Washington, D.C.; *d.* the late James Joseph and Juanita Bacote Lee; *g.* Vassar Coll., B.A., 1979; Tulane Univ., J.D., 1982; *m.* May 3, 1986, 2 children; State Bar of Texas, 1982; Louisiana State Bar, 1983; S.C. Bar, 1984; law clerk to the

Hon. Israel M. Augustine, Jr.; Louisiana Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, 1982–83; law clerk to the Hon. C. Tolbert Goolsby, Jr.; S.C. Court of Appeals, 1983–84; private practice, McNair Law Firm, 1984–89; Staff Counsel, S.C. Legis. Council, 1989–94; Assoc. Comm., Bd. of Comrs. on Grievances and Discipline, 1987–89; S.C. Women Lawyers Assn.; Richland Co. DSS Bd., 1985–88; Planning Comm., United Way of the Midlands, 1986–90; S.C. Comm. on CLE & Specialization, 2010–16; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sor. Inc.; Cola. Chap. Links Inc.; elected Admin. Law Judge, Seat 3, Feb. 1994; qualified Mar. 1, 1994; elected Judge at-large, Seat 11, Feb. 10, 1999; qualified Mar. 5, 1999, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst.—vacant

At-Large Seat 12

DeBERRY, H. STEVEN, IV (2021–26), Judge at-large, Seat 12, 180 N. Irby St., Florence 29501, Tel. (843) 665-3020; *b.* Oct. 22, 1980, in Florence; *s.* H. Steven III and Martha Ann Richardson DeBerry; *g.* The Citadel, B.S. 2003; Appalachian St., J.D., 2006; Apr. 24, 2010, *m.* Jessica White DeBerry, 2 children, Kathryn and Josie; Asst. Solicitor, 12th Circuit, 2008–11; DeBerry Law Firm, 2011–; Florence Co. Council, 2014–; elected Feb. 3, 2021, to fulfill the unexpired term of Thomas A. Russo, retired.



Admin. Asst.—Allison Pogue Marion
Law Clerk—Caleb Thompson Florence

At-Large Seat 13

McCASLIN, Debbie R. (2020–26), Judge at-large, Seat 13, Lexington Co. Court House, 205 E. Main St., Lexington 29072, Tel. (803) 785-8212; *g.* Coll. of Charleston, B.A., 1990; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1993; *m.* Michael W. McCaslin, 2 children; Law Clerk, J. Preston Strom Jr., Atty. at Law, 1991–93; Law Clerk/Atty., Leigh Leventis, 1993–95; private practice, Debra Y. Chapman LLC, 1995–20; mem., St. Thomas Lutheran Church; elected Feb. 5, 2020, to succeed Larry B. Hyman, Jr., retired.



Admin. Asst.—Danita Martin Lexington
Law Clerk—William Arnold Lexington
Solicitor—Rick Hubbard Lexington
Public Defender—Robert M. Madsen Lexington

At-Large Seat 14

KELLY, R. Keith (July 1, 2013–25), Judge at-large, Seat 14, 125 E. Floyd Baker Blvd., Gaffney 29340, Tel. (864) 902-2358, (864) 596-2400; residing in Spartanburg Co.; *s.* the late Ralph D., Jr., and Louise C. Kelly; *g.* Univ. of S.C.-Spartanburg, B.A., 1981; Walter F. George School of Law, Mercer Univ., J.D., 1987; Dec. 28, 1985, *m.* Cindy Jackson Kelly, 4 adult children and their families; Woodruff Rotary Club, 1988–18, past Pres., 1990–91, 2011–12 & 2012–13; Spartanburg Rotary Club, 2019–; Paul Harris Fellow, Plus 4; mem., Paul Harris



Society; Spartanburg Pilots Assn.; former mem.: S.C. House of Reps. and S.C. House Jud. Com., 2007–10; Criminal Laws Subcom., Chm., 2009–10; Spartanburg Co. Delegation; past VC Delegation; former mem., Sentencing Reform Oversight Com.; admitted to practice in all S.C. state courts, U.S. Dist. Court, and the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals; S.C. Bar Assn.; Spartanburg Co. Bar Assn.; Cherokee Co. Bar Assn.; former mem., S.C. Assn. Criminal Defense Lawyers; former partner, Lister, Flynn & Kelly, P.A.; USA, 1981–84; USAR, Capt.; elected Judge at-large, Seat 14, Jan. 30, 2013, to fill seat created by Act 241, 2012, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst.—Christine Thomas Spartanburg
Law Clerk—Mattie Dalton Spartanburg

At-Large Seat 15



MURPHY, Maite (July 1, 2013–25), Judge at-large, Seat 15, P.O. Box 802, 5200 E. Jim Bilton Blvd., St. George 29477, Tel. (843) 832-0391, Fax (843) 832-0392; residing in N. Charleston; *b.* Apr. 19 in Denver, Colo.; *d.* Ronald Charles and Mary Christine (Frederickson) Lessuck; *g.* Texas State Univ., B.A., 1991; Miss. Coll., J.D., 1995; Aug. 6, 1994, *m.* Christopher J. Murphy, 2 children, Christopher Austin and Jackson Frederick; former partner, Holler, Dennis, Corbett & Garner, 1995; former partner, Quattlebaum and Murphy, L.L.P.; Murphy Law Firm, L.L.C.; former Chief Dep. Solicitor, First Circuit Solicitors Office; former Pres., VP, and Treas., Dorchester Co. Bar Assn.; mem., S.C. Women's Bar Assn.; Magistrate Court Judge, Dorchester Co. Master-In-Equity; former mem., YMCA Bd. of Dirs.; Summerville Rotary Club; Summerville Meals on Wheels Bd. of Dirs.; elected Judge at-large, Seat 15, Jan. 30, 2013; re-elected Feb. 6, 2019.

Admin. Asst.—Robin Dukes St. George
Law Clerk—Mark Hinds St. George

At-Large Seat 16

HOCKER, Donald B. (July 1, 2013–25), Judge at-large, Seat 16, P.O. Box 972, Laurens 29360, Tel. (864) 984-2076, Fax (864) 984-2333; residing in Laurens; *b.* Nov. 21, 1952, in Waltham, Mass.; *s.* Donald B. (Jack) and Allene C. Hocker; *g.* Clemson Univ., B.A., 1975; M.Ed., 1976; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1980; July 17, 1976, *m.* Gayle Lindler Hocker, 2 adult children; admitted to the S.C. Bar, 1981; mem.: Wig and Robe; Moot Court Bd.; admitted to the S.C. Fed. Dist. Court and U.S. Supreme Court; private practice in Laurens, 1981–2013; Assoc. Probate Judge for Laurens Co., 1984–2013; mem., First United Methodist Church of Laurens, past Chm. of Church Council and Sunday School; re-elected Judge at-large, Seat 16, Feb. 6, 2019.



Admin. Asst.—Regan A. Snow Clinton
Law Clerk—Manning Cathcart Greenwood
Solicitor—David M. Stumbo (2021) Greenwood
Public Defender—Chelsea B. McNeill Greenwood