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* Denotes past membership/participation

Early Years

Born in Kinston, Lenoir County, North Carolina, June 28, 1964.

Personal Information

Married to J. Wilson Stroud, 1986. Two sons, Aaron and Isaac. Member of Colonial Baptist Church, Cary, North Carolina.

Educational Background

- Duke University School of Law, 2014 LLM
- Campbell University School of Law, Buies Creek, North Carolina, 1985-1988
- Juris Doctor (J.D.) *magna cum laude*, 1988

Ranked first in class for each year of law school and upon graduation (Law School Honors and Activities: Campbell University Law Review, Candidate member and Notes and Comments Editor; Branch Banking and Trust Estate Planning Award; Campbell Law Observer case summary writer; Research Assistant for Dean F. Leary Davis and Professor Thomas Anderson)

- Campbell University - Buies Creek, North Carolina, 1982-1985 B.A, Government, *summa cum laude*, 1985
- Kinston High School, Kinston, North Carolina, 1982

Professional Background

- Judge, North Carolina Court of Appeals, Raleigh, North Carolina, January 2, 2007-present (Elected in 2006, re-elected in 2014 without opposition)
- Adjunct Professor of Law, Campbell University School of Law, 2008 to present
- Judge, Wake County District Court (10th Judicial District), Raleigh, North Carolina, 2004-2006 (Elected in 2004)
- Private practice of Law, 1988 - 2004
 - Gay, Stroud & Jackson, L.L.P., Zebulon, North Carolina, 1995-2004
 - Kirk, Gay, Kirk, Gwynn & Howell, Wendell, North Carolina, 1988-1995
- Certified Superior Court Mediator, 1997 - 2004
- 10th Judicial District Court Arbitrator, 1996-2004

Professional Organizations

- American Bar Association, Judicial Division
- North Carolina Bar Association
- Wake County Bar Association
- 10th Judicial District Bar Association
- North Carolina Association of Women Attorneys
- North Carolina Academy of Trial Lawyers (1988-2004)

Current Professional Memberships

- Admitted to North Carolina Bar, 1988
- Admitted to United States District Court, Eastern District of North Carolina, 1991
- Certified Superior Court Mediator, 1997

Community Activities

- Sir Walter Cabinet
- Wendell Chamber of Commerce, President, 1994
- Wendell Chamber of Commerce, Director, 1990-1993
- Zebulon Junior Woman' s Club, 1995-2001
- President, Zebulon Junior Woman' s Club, 2000-2001
- Zebulon Woman' s Club, 2002-2004
- Zebulon Baptist Church - Sunday School teacher, administrative deacon, trustee, Sanctuary Choir, handbell choir
- Zebulon Parks and Recreation Youth Sports Sponsor*

Honors and Awards

- General Federation of Women' s Club of N.C., Women of Achievement Award, 2014