

HON. CAROL ANN DALTON

Carol Ann Dalton was appointed to the Superior Court of the District of Columbia in 2008. Judge Dalton is the Presiding Judge of the Family Court. From January 2014 through December 2016, Judge Dalton was the Deputy Presiding Judge of the Family Court. Since her appointment as an Associate Judge, she has served on the Mental Health, Private Adoptions, Juvenile Behavioral Diversion, Domestic Relations and Child Abuse and Neglect Calendars.

From 2002 until her appointment as Associate Judge in 2008, Judge Dalton was a Magistrate Judge in the Family Court presiding mainly over child abuse and neglect matters. From 2000 until her appointment as a Magistrate Judge in 2002, Judge Dalton was Director of the D.C. Superior Court's Counsel for Child Abuse and Neglect Office.

Over the years, Judge Dalton participated as a member of a number of committees tasked with improving court procedures and practices in the area of family law. These committees included: Family Court Training; Family Court Implementation; Family Court Advisory Rules and Practice Standards; Superior Court Domestic Relations; Neglect and Abuse Subcommittee; Initial Arraignments Working Group; Mental Health Stakeholders and Mental Health and Habilitation Subcommittee.

Prior to Judge Dalton's tenure with the Superior Court, she maintained a private legal practice that included child abuse and neglect, probate, and corporate law. Judge Dalton received a B.A. from the City College of the City of New York, a J.D. from New York Law School, and a LLM from the George Washington University's National Law Center.

Judge Dalton has been a resident of the District of Columbia for 30 years. She is a former D.C. Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner. Judge Dalton served as Chair of several committees of the D.C. Women's Bar Association and volunteered with Whitman-Walker and other local not for profit organizations.