



Justice Michael P. Boggs was appointed to the Supreme Court of Georgia on December 7, 2016 by Governor Nathan Deal. He was re-elected state-wide without opposition for a six-year term in 2018. Previously, Justice Boggs served as a Judge on the Court of Appeals of Georgia from 2012 through 2016. Prior to his appellate judicial service, Justice Boggs served as a Superior Court Judge for the Waycross Judicial Circuit, having been elected to an open seat in 2004. He was reelected to the Superior Court without opposition in 2008. Justice Boggs was raised in Waycross and now lives in Pierce County with his wife Heather, a kindergarten teacher in the Ware County public school system.

Justice Boggs obtained his undergraduate degree in Political Science and Psychology from Georgia Southern College in 1985. He earned his Juris Doctor degree from Mercer University School of Law in 1990. While in law school, Justice Boggs was a member of the Moot Court Board and participated on the ABA/LSD and National Moot Court competition teams. At Mercer, Justice Boggs was inducted into the Order of Barristers and was elected to the Student Government Association.

Following his graduation from law school, Justice Boggs practiced insurance defense litigation in Atlanta until 1992, when he returned to his hometown of Waycross. Prior to his election to the trial court bench, Justice Boggs maintained a general trial practice. Justice Boggs served as a County Attorney, Development Authority Counsel, and as a Special Assistant Attorney General.

In 2000, Justice Boggs was elected as a State Representative to the Georgia General Assembly and served until 2004. While in the Legislature, Justice Boggs served on the Judiciary, Public Safety and Government Affairs Committees and served as chairman of the Probate Law and Elections Law subcommittees. Among his legislative accomplishments, Justice Boggs authored the “Child Protection Act”, a bill aimed at protecting children from sexual predators, and he secured funding for a Public Health Laboratory in Waycross. In 2002, Justice Boggs was selected as the Outstanding Freshman Member of the General Assembly by the Legislative Alumni Association and was also recognized by the Editors of Georgia Trend Magazine as one of the “40 under 40” leaders throughout Georgia who have made significant contributions to the state. He was a member of the 2009 Class of Leadership Georgia.

In 2003, Justice Boggs received the Waycross YMCA Community Service Award and the “Legislative Award” from the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia. In 2004, he received the University System of Georgia Foundation Regents Award for Excellence in Education in recognition of his outstanding accomplishments as a lawyer and legislator. Justice Boggs is also a recipient of the Georgia Sheriff’s Association “Leadership Award” and was awarded the Georgia District Attorney’s Association “Commitment to Justice Award” for his support of law enforcement and victim’s rights legislation while a legislator. In 2007, he received recognition for his support of the Magnolia House Shelter for abused women and child victims of domestic violence in Waycross and was also presented the Boy Scouts of America “Golden Eagle” Award for his service to the community. In 2017, Justice Boggs was awarded the prestigious St. Thomas More Award from the St. Thomas More Society of Atlanta for his work in leading the state in criminal justice reform, and in 2019 was awarded the “Spirit of Justice” award by the Appellate Practice Section of the State Bar of Georgia.



Charles “Chuck” P. Boring is the Director of the State of Georgia’s Judicial Qualifications Commission, where he regulates the State of Georgia’s Judicial Branch of Government. He was appointed to this position in December of 2019. He is a graduate of Georgia State University College of Law. Before joining the J.Q.C., Chuck was Deputy Chief Assistant District Attorney supervising the Cobb Judicial Circuit (Cobb County, GA) D.A. Office’s Special Victims Unit and had been a prosecutor since 2000. He successfully tried several high-profile cases, including *State v. Jade Sanders* and *Lamonte Thomas*, a child homicide case in which the defendants starved their newborn son to death. The case garnered national attention due to the Defendants’ unsuccessful attempt to blame the child’s death on feeding the child a vegan diet.

He was also the lead prosecutor in the recent trial of *State v. Justin Ross Harris*, another child homicide case in which the Defendant was convicted of intentionally killing his 22-month old child by leaving him to die in a hot motor vehicle.

Mr. Boring has prosecuted in several jurisdictions, including the Coweta, Atlanta, and Cobb Judicial Circuits. While working in the Fulton County District Attorney’s Office, he was awarded the 2006 Trial Attorney of the Year Award and the 2007 Attorney of the Year Award. He was also named the Cobb County District Attorney’s Office Assistant District Attorney of the Year in 2013 and 2016. Mr. Boring was the recipient of the Prosecuting Attorneys’ Council of Georgia 2015 Thompson - Jones Award, presented annually to an outstanding Basic Litigation faculty member who exemplifies the dedication and devotion to the furtherance of the standards established by the prosecution community. Mr. Boring was named the 2017 Assistant District Attorney of the Year for the State of Georgia. Mr. Boring is a frequent lecturer and presenter and on legal issues in Georgia, nationally, and internationally.



Adwoa Ghartey-Tagoe Seymour serves as Assistant General Counsel for Cox Enterprises, Inc., a leading communications and automotive services company headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia. Cox is a global company with more than \$20 billion in revenue and 60,000 employees. Cox's major operating subsidiaries include Cox Communications and Cox Automotive and it has brands that include Autotrader, Kelley Blue Book, and Cox Homelife.

As part of Cox's Litigation Center of Excellence, Adwoa provides counsel to Cox's management teams on a large and diverse portfolio of litigation matters for the parent company and its subsidiaries. She also provides strategic advice regarding the assessment and improvement of general business practices so as to avoid future disputes. As an ACEDS Certified E-Discovery Specialist, her responsibilities also include addressing electronic discovery issues and overseeing the Enterprise's subpoena response team.

Prior to joining Cox, Adwoa was a business litigation and product liability partner at the global law firm of Bryan Cave LLP (now Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner LLP). While in private practice, she successfully litigated in state and federal trial and appellate courts in multiple jurisdictions. She also represented clients in dozens of mediations and successfully arbitrated claims before the American Arbitration Association (AAA), the International Centre for Dispute Resolution (ICDR), and the National Arbitration Forum. Adwoa is licensed to practice law in Georgia and Florida and was a registered neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution for ten years, certified in the areas of mediation and arbitration.

Adwoa has also demonstrated a long-standing commitment to her profession and community. She is a Past President of the Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys (GABWA) and served for several years on the GABWA Foundation Board, a 501(c)(3) organization founded to facilitate GABWA's charitable and educational activities. In addition, Adwoa was an active board member of the National Conference for Women's Bar Associations, serving two terms as Vice President of Membership. She also actively served for several years on the Georgia State University College of Law Alumni Council. Adwoa currently serves on the Supreme Court of Georgia's Chief Justices Commission on Professionalism., is a board member of the Urban League of Greater Atlanta, and serves as Member-at-Large for the Association of Corporate Counsel – Georgia Chapter. Beyond her service to the legal profession, Adwoa has a strong passion for child advocacy where, for several years, she has represented children, pro bono, in truancy proceedings through the Truancy Intervention Project (TIP) and has served on TIP's board of directors. In 2019, TIP awarded her with the Judge Glenda A. Hatchett Volunteer of the Year award. She has also served in a leadership capacity over her church's youth ministry. Adwoa has been recognized by various organizations for her legal acumen, professionalism and service.

Adwoa holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Diplomacy & Foreign Affairs from Miami University and obtained her Juris Doctor, cum laude, from Georgia State University College of Law. She was selected as a Pupil to the Bleckley American Inn of Court while in law school and as a Barrister to the Joseph Henry Lumpkin American Inn of Court while in private practice.

Adwoa balances her steadfast commitment to the legal profession and her community with her love of being a wife and mother. She is married to Rev. Stanley A. Seymour, Esq. They are the proud parents of two wonderful children.