

Why judicial elections matter

The election of local judges is one of the most significant ways that we can impact justice. It is important to know the candidates who are running for office, their backgrounds, the experience that they will bring to the bench and their perspectives on the judiciary.

Simply put, our mayor cannot put you in jail, our city council members cannot determine who will inherit your property upon your death, our senators cannot take away your children, nor can our governor order that someone pay child support. However, a judge can make these and many other important decisions. Unequivocally, our state court judges play a vital role in ensuring that your rights are protected.

Whether you choose to vote during early voting or on election day, educate yourself before entering the voting booth and make sure to cast a ballot that ensures we elect the most qualified people to administer justice.

For more election information:
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**JUDICIAL
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GUIDE**

CIVIL DISTRICT COURT,
DIVISION A.



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Ms. Harrison has been an attorney and community organizer for over a decade. Her practice includes family law, successions, personal injury and civil rights. When she started her law firm, she vowed to care for the people of New Orleans. She has spoken up for the people of New Orleans at City Council meetings related to the failure of the pumps run by the Sewerage and Water Board.

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In 2007, Mr. Perque opened his own private practice in New Orleans to serve in the areas of family law, wills and estates, personal injury, civil rights, and corporate and general civil litigation. From 2014-2016, Mr. Perque served as a Commissioner for the Human Rights Commission of the City of New Orleans, which investigates and adjudicates complaints of discrimination in employment, housing, public accommodations, and private clubs. As a Commissioner, his responsibilities included holding public hearings to consider cases, enforcing the Commission's decisions and orders in compliance with the New Orleans City Code, and issue decisions applying the City's Human Rights Laws to individuals or class action cases. Since 2016, Mr. Perque has served as a Commissioner to the Louisiana Commission on Human Rights, which enforces specific laws pertaining to discriminatory practices in the state of Louisiana, handling complaints of employment discrimination, as well as providing protection against discrimination in public accommodation and banking and lending practices.

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