



**Honorable Keva Landrum** serves as Judge at Orleans Parish Criminal District Court, Section E, where she presides over criminal felony and misdemeanor cases. Judge Landrum was first elected to serve at criminal court in 2008, and was re-elected to a second term in 2015. In both instances, she was elected without opposition.

In January 2018, Judge Landrum was appointed Chief Judge at Orleans Parish Criminal District Court criminal court and made history as the first African American woman to serve in the court's highest office. As Chief Judge, she oversees the administrative functions of the court and serves as an ex officio member on each committee of the court.

Chief Judge Landrum is an astute judge who has been recognized for operating her courtroom efficiently and with fairness and attentiveness. She presides with more than 20 years of experience in law and criminal justice.

Prior to being elected to the bench, Chief Judge Landrum made history as the first female district attorney for the State of Louisiana when she served as Orleans Parish District Attorney from October 2007 until her election as judge. In all, Chief Judge Landrum served a 10-year tenure with the district attorney's office, providing leadership as an assistant district attorney, a homicide and sex crimes screener, chief of the juvenile division, chief of the screening division and interim first assistant district attorney, respectively. She also taught criminal law at Southern University at New Orleans.

During the early stages of her professional and educational development, Chief Judge Landrum served as a law clerk for Carter and Cates Law Firm in New Orleans. She also volunteered with the Orleans Parish Indigent Defender program and worked as a legal intern for a firm in St. Louis, Missouri. She served as appellate chair for Tulane Law School's Moot Court and has won moot court championships with the Jessup International Law Appellate Team (Southern Region) and the Federal Bar Association's Frederick Douglass Moot Court Competition.

In 2011, Chief Judge Landrum received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Drug Enforcement Administration. She is also recipient of the: Grace House Leadership in Law Enforcement Award (2008); New Orleans City Business Leadership in Law Award (2008); Victims and Citizens Against Crime Outstanding Prosecutor Award (2008); and the YWCA Role Model Award (2002).

In addition to her judicial responsibilities, Chief Judge Landrum delivers various keynote addresses and presentations at community and professional events. She is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and serves on the board of directors for Café Reconcile.

Chief Judge Keva M. Landrum is a New Orleans native. She attended Ursuline Academy and later received a bachelor's degree in political science from Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri. She earned a juris doctorate from Tulane Law School in New Orleans.