

Honorable Candice Bates Anderson was born in New Orleans, LA on May 12, 1970, where she was then educated by St. James Major Elementary followed by Ursuline Academy, McMain Magnet High School and New Orleans Center for Creative Arts.

After graduating cum laude from Clark Atlanta University and becoming a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., she was named one of the "Who's Who" in colleges and universities. She then moved back to New Orleans, graduated from Tulane University School of Law and began her legal career as a judicial law clerk for the Honorable Judge

Charles Imbornone. She then became an associate in the law firm of Beahm and Green where she gathered tremendous trial experience in the Orleans Parish court system.

Prior to Hurricane Katrina, Judge Anderson was an in-house attorney for the Regional Transit Authority and a partner in the law firm of Anderson and Darensburg where she handled clients with personal litigation as well as the Regional Transit Authority and the Housing Authority of New Orleans. She is a member of the Pontchartrain Chapter of the Links Incorporated, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and a past board member of the St. Mark's Community Center, she has always tried to give back to the community that gave her so much. Judge Anderson is a past member of the New Orleans Regional Business District Park Board. She attends St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church. She is a current member of the New Orleans Bar Association, the Louisiana State Bar Association, and the National Association of Women Judges, Martinet Legal Society, and the NAACP. She was the supervising Judge of the FINS program and the past Drug Court Judge of Orleans Parish Juvenile Court for 2015 and 2016.

Judge Anderson is a member of the Historic Faubourg Treme Neighborhood Association and is the devoted wife of Aaron Anderson III and the proud mother of three girls Penelope, Caydance, and Angelica Anderson.