



Judge Desiree Dyess was elected to the 10th Judicial District Court bench in November 2014 and took office on January 1, 2015. She earned her undergraduate degree with honors from Northwestern State University, and her Juris Doctorate from the LSU School of Law. She trained in Mediation for Family Law at Loyola University, and has been a Board Certified Family Law Specialist by the Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization since 2007.

She was a partner at the Dyess Law Firm for 14 years before taking the bench, and was admitted to practice before all Louisiana State and Federal Courts, the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals, as well as the U.S. Supreme Court.

Judge Dyess is a member of the Louisiana State Bar Association and Natchitoches Parish Bar Association. She has been recognized as Attorney of the Year, Natchitoches Pro Bono, and has received the Access to Justice Award and the Crystal Gavel Award from the Louisiana State Bar Association. Judge Dyess is a Charter member and Past President of St. Denis American Inns of Court and has been a member of many other civic and service organizations. She is a member of the Louisiana District Judges Association, 3rd Circuit Judges Association, and American Judges Association.

She is married to William D. Dyess and is a member of First Baptist Church of Natchitoches.