

Biography

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A native of Birmingham, Alabama, Ms. Smith attended Vanderbilt University where she triple-majored in Special Education, Secondary Education and Mathematics, graduating Summa Cum Laude, in 1985. After a number of years working in the U.S. and abroad, and 10 years dedicated to raising her children at home, Ms. Smith pursued a lifelong dream, and attended law school as an Atlanta Law Fellow at Emory University School of Law. She graduated and was admitted to the Georgia Bar in 2006.

After graduation, Ms. Smith worked as an associate with two local law firms. She started her current solo practice, Loretta Smith Law in 2009. She remains of counsel to FoxWeiss, PC, and continues to mediate for the Fulton County Landlord Tenant Project.

Though her office is currently housed in the heart of Powder Springs, Ms. Smith has practiced in Cobb, Paulding, Douglas, Fulton, Carroll, DeKalb, Bartow, Cherokee, Walker, Forsyth, Henry, Clayton, Fayette, Laurens, Baldwin, Clarke, Barrow, Oconee County courts and in a number of city or municipal courts in Georgia. She is admitted to practice in all Magistrate, State and Superior Courts in Georgia, the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, and the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. She also has been admitted pro hac vice to several Federal and local courts in other states. She is a registered mediator with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. She enjoys advising military service members or spouses about domestic law, and in January 2009, taught Providing Legal Advice and Support for Returning

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Servicemembers: Military Domestic Relations to members of the State Bar of Georgia at the Midyear Bar Meeting

Ms. Smith is a member of the Cobb Bar Association, is a volunteer lawyer with the Cobb Justice Foundation (Atlanta Legal Aid), and is on the misdemeanor list for the Cobb Circuit Defender.

Ms. Smith is involved at WestRidge Church, in various organizations at McEachern High School and with other local youth civic and athletic associations. She also serves as a member of the Development Authority of Powder Springs. In her "spare time", she enjoys reading, music, travel and spending time with her children and friends.