

# Colette Moorman

Colette Moorman has been a Dayton Municipal Court Senior Magistrate since 2005. Born in 1965 and graduating from Northridge H. S. in 1984, Colette was in the Honor Society, played in the band, and was a cheerleader. She attended the University of Dayton and was granted a bachelor's degree in criminal justice in 1988, with a minor in business management. She continued her studies at U. D. in the law school and earned a juris doctor in 1991.

In the same year she began working for the City of Kettering Law Department, where she was assigned to the criminal and civil divisions. Her chief responsibilities were to prosecute criminal and traffic misdemeanors, research and write appellate briefs and legal opinions for the Law Director, and prepare amendments of the city ordinances.

In 1993, Colette was hired by the City of Dayton as a prosecutor. In 1996, she was promoted to Assistant Attorney II and in 1997 to Head Domestic Violence Prosecutor. Her duties included approving charges against and prosecuting criminal and traffic misdemeanors, researching and writing appellate briefs, conducting oral arguments before the Court of Appeals, reviewing search warrants, and supervising and training new attorneys and legal interns.

Additionally, she was assigned to prosecute high profile and complex cases, including an appointment as Special Prosecutor in another county. She also conducted training sessions for the Dayton Police Department on domestic violence issues, improving trial performance, and report writing.

In 2005, she was appointed Dayton Municipal Court Magistrate and in 2006 Senior Magistrate. So, instead of prosecuting crimes and misdemeanors, she now presides over them. She also approves search warrants and performs wedding ceremonies.

Colette is a member of the Dayton Bar Association, the Ohio Bar Association, and the Ohio Association of Magistrates. Since 2009, she has been a member of the Dayton Mediation Center Advisory Board. A few months ago, she joined the Kiwanis Club of Northridge and is involved with the mentoring program at Grafton Kennedy Elementary. She received the Dayton Police Department Outstanding Public Service Award in 1998, the City of Dayton Top Flight Award in 1999, and the Artemis Center Peacekeeper Award in 2003.

"I wish to thank the Hall of Fame Committee for choosing me for this honor and all my teachers at Northridge who gave me the education I needed to be successful, but especially Ms. Berry for nominating me and being a great personal friend."