

**HON. JUDITH KLINE  
PRESIDING JUDGE  
JUVENILE & DOMESTIC RELATIONS DISTRICT COURT  
CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA**

The Honorable Judith Kline obtained her J.D. from William & Mary Law School. Following graduation she worked for the U.S. Department of Justice in Washington, D.C., then as an attorney for Virginia Legal Aid Society in Farmville, Virginia. From 1981 until appointment to the bench in 2003, she had her own law office in Hilton Village, eventually specializing in family law.

During her years in private practice Judge Kline also served as a Substitute Judge, a Special Justice for mental commitment hearings and a mediator.

Judge Kline is currently serving her third six-year term in the Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Court for the City of Newport News and presides over the Juvenile Drug Treatment Court. She chairs the local JDAI (Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative) and Foster Care Best Practices Committees. Judge Kline is currently the President of the Virginia Chapter of National Association of Women Judges (NAWJ) and the Director of NAWJ's District Four (D.C., Maryland & Virginia).