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Welcome to the official website of the Council of Juvenile Court Judges of Georgia (CJCJ). As a new term begins for the officers of this fine organization, I am honored to serve alongside the dedicated judges who work every day to protect the well-being of Georgia's children and families. The juvenile court system plays a critical role in our communities, and the Council remains committed to supporting its membership through education, collaboration, leadership and professional development.

Our membership represents a diverse and experienced group of judicial officers from across the state. Together, we share a common mission: ensuring that every child and party in a case who enters our courts, receives fair, thoughtful consideration under the law. Currently there are 178 members of CJCJ, which includes 77 full-time juvenile courts judges, 26 part-time juvenile court judges, 8 full-time associate juvenile court judges, 9 part-time associate juvenile court judges, 36 pro-tempore judges, and 22 senior judges. CJCJ is managed by an executive committee that consists of 6 executive officers and 10 district representatives.

Juvenile court judges are entrusted with important decisions affecting children and families. This responsibility requires wisdom, integrity and a commitment to justice. Our courts hear matters involving dependency, delinquency, children in need of services (CHINS), juvenile traffic violations, guardianships, termination of parental rights, and cases transferred from Superior Court or Probate Court. The Council's leadership team and representatives work diligently to advance policies, programs and initiatives that strengthen Georgia's juvenile justice and child welfare systems.

We are very fortunate to benefit from guidance and expertise of our Director, Eric John, and his thoughtful and professional staff. Their commitment provides the foundation for the Council's ongoing success and allows valuable resources and support for its judicial members throughout the year.

Thank you for visiting this website. It serves as a resource for judges, court professionals, community partners and members of the public. We invite you to explore the information

available here to learn more about the juvenile court system and the work of CJJ to improve outcomes for Georgia's youth and families. I look forward to serving as your president and working together for the children and families of Georgia.

Sincerely,

McCracken Poston

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Judge of Catoosa County Juvenile Court