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Judge Shanta Owens **Jefferson County Circuit Court** **Birmingham, AL**

Judge Shanta Owens began her legal career as a deputy district attorney for the Jefferson County District Attorney's Office in Alabama. In 2008, she was elected to Jefferson County District Court as a judge. She was the presiding judge for the Drug Court Program, which helps rehabilitate nonviolent drug offenders from 2009 to 2019. In 2019, Judge Owens was appointed to serve as a Circuit Court Judge for the 10th Judicial Circuit of Alabama.

Judge Owens holds a B.S. in computer information systems from Alabama State University and holds a dual J.D. and bachelor of civil law from Louisiana State University School of Law and Université D'Aix-Marseille III. She is a member of the National Association of Women Judges, Alabama Circuit Judges Association, Alabama State Bar Association, Birmingham Bar Association, and the Judicial Council of the Magic City Bar Association. In addition, she is the past President of the Board of Directors for the Addiction Prevention Coalition.

Judge Owens has been honored as Inroads Inc.'s 2017 Alumni of the Year, Birmingham Magazine's 2014 "Women Who Make a Difference," B-Metro Magazine's 2014 Fusion Award Recipient, 2014 Top 20 under 40 for Who's Who in Black Alabama, 2014 Best In Minority Business Awards for Encouraging Diversity, 2013 Alabama State University Silhouette of Service Honoree, and 2011 NAACP Wonderful Outstanding Women Honoree.

The Law Enforcement Action Partnership is a nonprofit organization composed of police, prosecutors, judges, and other criminal justice professionals who use their expertise to advance drug policy and criminal justice solutions that improve public safety. With 200 speakers across the United States, LEAP representatives reach millions of Americans each year through educational programs and media interviews.

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