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CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE SHARION AYCOCK  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI

## DEDICATION

Chief Judge Sharion Aycock is the pinnacle of a Mississippi College School of Law alumna. She is intelligent, innovative, trailblazing, and just.

Former Sharion Richardson enrolled at Mississippi College School of Law in 1977, the same year the *Mississippi College Law Review* was established. Two years later, she led the *Review* as Co-Editor-in-Chief, publishing Volume II. She was an exemplary law student graduating *summa cum laude* and second in her class in 1980.

Chief Judge Aycock has been at the forefront of numerous firsts for women and Mississippi College School of Law graduates. She assumed the role of United States District Judge on October 22, 2007 and elevated to United States Chief District Judge on June 2, 2014. She is the first female district judge and the first female chief district judge in the State of Mississippi. She is also the first Mississippi College School of Law graduate to serve as a federal judge under Article III of the United States Constitution.

Volume 39 of the *Review* is proud to dedicate this Issue to Chief Judge Sharion Aycock. It is my hope that all who read will learn of the substantial impact Chief Judge Aycock has made on the State and the positive influence she has had on the masses.



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James P. "Bud" Sheppard, *Editor-in-Chief*  
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