

Fredda Denise Maddox for Judge Court of Common Pleas, Chester County

Fredda Maddox has been an attorney for more than fourteen years. She served as an Assistant Defender practicing in the Family Court Division of the Juvenile Branch of the Court of Common Pleas in Philadelphia, a position she held for more than a decade.

Fredda has a long history of public service that began in 1982, when she became one of the first women to serve as a State Trooper in Chester County, where she was detailed to the Avondale Barracks. In 1987 she was recruited to work on an elite drug task force comprised of federal, state and local law enforcement agencies and was later recruited to work in the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General where she served as a Narcotics Agent in the Bureau of Narcotics. Later she went on to become a Special Agent within the Bureau of Criminal Investigations. During her tenure with the Attorney General's Office Fredda had the opportunity to serve under former Attorney General Michael Fisher and former Attorney General Tom Corbett. Fredda's dedication to her work as a public servant has earned her several police commendations.



Upon retiring from her distinguished career in law enforcement, Fredda served as a law clerk for the Honorable Judge M. Teresa Sarmina of the Court of Common Pleas in Philadelphia, whom she met while assigned to the Drug Strike Task Force. Following her clerkship, she worked as an Assistant City Solicitor for Philadelphia County, where she provided legal representation and advice to the Department of Human Services, including the Children and Youth Division and the County Office of Mental Health.

Fredda attended evening classes at Widener University School of Law in Wilmington, Delaware, while maintaining her full duties as a law enforcement officer. While at Widener she had the unique privilege to study Constitutional Law under U.S. Senator Joseph Biden (now Vice President of the United States), who further instilled in her the value and need for public service. In addition to her law degree, Fredda earned a Master's degree in criminal justice from West Chester University and her Bachelor's degree from Edinboro University in Edinboro, Pennsylvania. She received additional training at the Pennsylvania State Police Academy in Hershey, Pennsylvania and the F.B.I. Academy in Quantico, Virginia.

In addition to her work as an Attorney, Fredda is an adjunct professor who teaches courses in Criminal Law and Procedure as well as Professional Responsibility and Legal Ethics.

In 1996, she became a lifetime member of C.O.P.S. (Concern for Police Survivors) after her partner was killed in the line of duty. As a result of that tragedy Fredda has volunteered her services as an attorney with "Wills for Heroes," a national program that provides free estate planning for our nation's first responders.

Fredda has worked on local, state and national political campaigns and served as a Committeeperson in Birmingham Township. Fredda and her husband of 18 years are the proud parents of three fantastic children, who attend school in the Unionville-Chadds Ford Area School District.