

Chris Olds

Chris Olds was recently elected District Judge in Franklin County and was sworn in to office on November 24, 2008. He presides over traffic offenses, misdemeanors, preliminary hearings in felony cases, small civil cases, small claims cases, probate matters, and juvenile court.

Chris is a lifelong resident of Franklin County and a former partner in the law firm of Bullock & Coffman, LLP. Since becoming a lawyer in 1997, Chris has practiced in state and federal courts throughout Kentucky. Chris has argued before the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, the second highest court in the United States.

Before being elected judge, Chris had over 10 years of courtroom experience as a trial lawyer. Chris did an internship with the Commonwealths Attorneys Office in Lexington. During this time, he was permitted to try cases while still a law student. Chris had prosecuted three jury trials before he graduated from law school. After graduating law school, Chris continued to try cases ranging from Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol to Murder cases.

In addition to being a successful trial lawyer, Chris regularly provided free legal services to people who needed it. Chris sees law as a service profession, not a business.

While Chris enjoys his work, his passion is spending time with his children. Chris has two children, Ethan (4) and Kayden (22 months). Chris' wife, Sarah Olds, is also a lifelong resident of Franklin County.

HONORS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- Graduated in the top 10% of his class at University of Kentucky College of Law (Order of the Coif)
- Voted "Best Attorney" in the Best of Frankfort Awards by the people of Frankfort in 2003
- Elected President of Franklin County Bar Association in 2005
- Served as Special Master Commissioner of Franklin Circuit Court
- Sat as Trial Judge at Kentucky Law School Trial Competition
- Taught Continuing Legal Education Course on Changes in the DUI law
- Teen Court Volunteer since 1998

Education

Bridgeport Elementary School
Bondurant Middle School
Western Hills High School
Georgetown College (Cum Laude)
University of Kentucky College of Law (Order of the Coif)

Memberships

Evergreen Baptist Church
Rotary
Franklin County Bar Association
Kentucky Bar Association