Durham County CLERK'S QUARTERLY

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Meet your Clerk of Superior Court

Hon. Aminah M. Thompson

Aminah Thompson is Durham County's first Black and first woman Clerk of Superior Court. Prior to her election she served as a Magistrate in Durham for 14 years.

Clerk Thompson, the daughter of two educators and granddaughter of two pastors, spent her formative years in Amherst, MA and Lawrence, KS. She moved to Durham in 1999, earning her bachelor's degree from Duke and her Juris Doctorate from the University of North Carolina School of Law in Chapel Hill.

Thompson is the proud mother of an amazing 3 year old boy. She consistently demonstrates her commitment to equity and social justice through her involvement in community and educational organizations and remains committed to being deliberate, compassionate, respectful, and fair as she continues to serve.

Thanks for all your Hard Work!!

Congratulations to Our Newest Assistant Clerks!

Swanita Fuller
Christa Gaston
Jennifer Oakley
Lorrine Sands

"Change your thoughts and you change your world"

LOCAL RESOURCES

Resource Directory:
Durham Network of Care
https://durham.nc.networkofcare.org

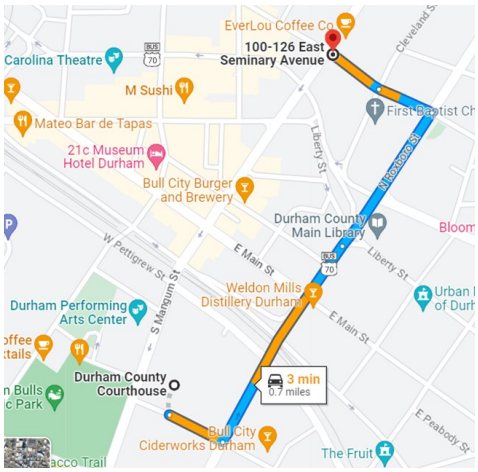
Legal Aid of NC
DurhamHousingTeam
@LegalAidNC.org
or call 984-297-2016

Rent and Utility funds:
Social Services
919-560-8000
Mon-Fri 7:30 am -4 pm
call for Appointment

Durham Crisis Response Ctr
984-201-7305

Homeless Prevention:
Urban Ministries of Durham-
919-682-0538

Durham Rescue Mission
919-688-9641



NOW OPEN
The Durham Family Justice Center
101 E. Morgan St, Durham NC 27701
Telephone: 984-201-7305

Durham Crisis Response Center has moved!
The Center provides services to clients of all gender identities, sexual orientations, ethnic and racial identities and regardless of immigration status.

Who They Serve:
Domestic violence survivors as defined by FVPSA and VAWA, Victims and survivors of Sexual Assault, Victims and survivors of Human Trafficking.
Who They May Not Serve:
Those currently charged or convicted of a violent crime against another person.

Please call to ask if you qualify for services.

Congratulations
Judge Shamieka L. Rhinehart
on your appointment to the Superior Court bench!
Thank you for your steadfast commitment to Durham County!

COMING SOON:
Durham Clerk of Superior Court Website

The upcoming website, set to launch this summer, will serve as a resource to assist the people of Durham County and North Carolina who interact with the court system and require our services. The mission of the Durham County Clerk of Superior Court is to serve the public through professionally trained, diverse, and customer-focused staff. Staff is prohibited from giving legal advice.

We hope you will visit our website for News & Information, Responsibilities of each office, Court filing fees, and Locate & Contact information. It is our privilege to serve Durham County.

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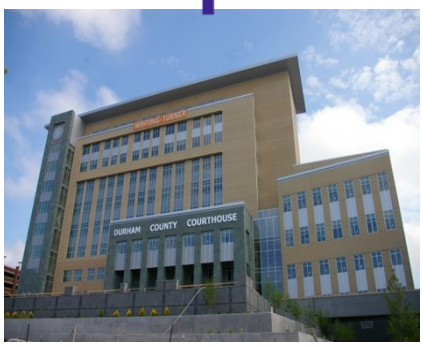

Services for employees and household members

- **In-the-moment telephone counselor support:** call 866-327-2400 24/7/365.
- **Short-term counseling (three visits):** Telephone and virtual visits are available
- **Referrals & Community Resources:** referrals to child / elder care, support groups, local community resources, and more.
- **Online articles and webinars:** Visit www.deeroakseap.com. Click the Member Login tab. Username and password : NCAOC.

WHERE DO I GO??
CLERK'S OFFICE DIRECTORY and REGISTER OF DEEDS

Bookkeeping 1st Floor Rm #1101
- Check balances on Supervised Probation
- Checks (such as the return of Cash Bonds)
- Mail / Deliveries **(USPS, FedEx etc.)**

Child Support -1st Floor Rm #1101
- Child Support-Dept. of Social Services **(DSS) ONLY**
- NOTE: Child Support **CANNOT** look up court dates. Defendants must call DSS case manager.
- Purge payments for Child Support

Cashier-1st Floor Rm #1200
- Pay for Certified Background Checks
- Pay Court Costs on Court Cases
- Pay Supervised Probation
- Pay for Marriages

District Criminal & Traffic Records-1st Floor Rm #1300
- Criminal & Traffic court dates/courtrooms
- Pay Traffic Citations
- Limited Driving Privilege (LDP) **due to DWI or Speeding in State**
- Bond Forfeitures
- Vehicle Seizures

Civil Judgments-1st Floor Rm #1400
- Divorce Decree **(More than 10 years)**
- Appeals-Small Claims/Evictions (Rent Bonds)
- Collection on Judgments (Notice of Rights, Writ of Execution, Payments)
- Miscellaneous Liens (Tax, HOA, Labor & Materialmen)
- Name Change-**Resumption of Name**

Civil Filings-1st Floor-Rm #1500
- Lawsuit Filings
- Eviction (rental property) Filings
- Restraining Orders **(DVPO's, DPO's)**
- Notice of Contract
- Motor Vehicle Liens- **ALL liens but LT-264A**
- Limited Driving Privilege (LDP) **due to DWLR or Speeding Out of State**
- Foreclosures/Auctions **(Taxes)**
- Divorce Decree **(Less than 10 years)**

Sherriff Office 1st Floor-Rm # 1700
- Gun Permits

Superior Criminal Records-2nd Floor Rm #2100
- Bond Forfeitures-CRS cases ONLY
- Superior court dates/courtrooms/Attorney info
- Copy of CRS files

District Court/Juvenile Clerks-2nd Floor Rm #2200
- Judicial Bypass
- Emancipation
- Abuse/Neglect/Dependency
- Delinquency
- Child Custody- **DSS involved**

Estates-2nd Floor Rm #2300
- Guardianships
- Transfer of title in the cause of death
- Year's Allowance
- Wills/Probate
- Inventories

Special Proceedings-2nd Floor Rm #2400
- Guardianship-**Adults**
- Name Changes
- Legitimization/Proof of Birth
- Adoptions
- Foreclosures under power of sale **(Mortgage)**
- Surplus Funds
- Partition/ Cartway/ Boundary disputes
- Motor Vehicle Lien form **LT-264A ONLY**

Jury Pool-3rd Floor Rm #3000
Legal Aid Advisory Clinic- 3rd Floor Rm # 3200

Magistrates-3rd Floor M1, M2, M3
- Landlord-Tenant Court Hearings
- Small Claims Court Hearings
- Marriage Ceremonies

Family Court-6th Floor Rm #6500
- Child Custody- **non DSS**
- Divorce Filing
- Child Support-**non DSS**

Register of Deeds 201 E. Main St. 2nd Floor
- Birth and Death Certificates
- Marriage Licenses
- Record Separation Agreement
- Assumed Names

Clerk's Birthday List

April

Lauren Jeffries	1
Irene Kerimah	5
Ashley Harmon	17

May

Jermaine Lunsford	2
Allison Crews	6
Cheryl Murphy	6
Caitlin Wiggins	10
Victoria McCollum	21
Ann Nolan	23
Regina Nance	23

June

Jamacia McDonald	1
Travis Williams	2
Amanda Stenlund	10
Lakia Carr	12
Elizabeth Tapley	16