

ANGELA JEWELL



Angela Jewell graduated from the University of New Mexico School of Law in 1979 and engaged in private practice, specializing in Family Practice, Domestic Relations and Domestic Violence from 1981 to 1986. She served as a pro bono coordinator at the Legal Aid Society in New Mexico where she began her involvement with domestic violence issues.

She served as the Special Commissioner for the Domestic Violence Division of the Second Judicial District Court from 1988 – 1996 where she conducted hearings for the issuance of Protection Orders for victims of Domestic Violence.

In 1996, Judge Jewell was elected to a judgeship in New Mexico's Domestic Violence Division, which was the first position of its kind in the state, making her the first Domestic Violence judge in New Mexico. In this capacity, she adjudicated family court cases with a Domestic Violence component, Domestic Violence felony probation criminal cases and supervised the issuance of Orders of Protection.

Since retiring from the bench in November 2011, Judge Jewell has served as a Pro Tem Judge for the Felony Probation Violation Docket and as a facilitator and mediator in Family Court cases.

Judge Jewell has been honored with several awards including:

- 2019 Asante Award from the New Mexico Black History Organizing Committee for Meritorious Contributions to New Mexico Legal Community
- Outstanding Judicial Officer Award – Albuquerque Bar Association
- Y.W.C.A. - Women on the Move Award
- New Mexico Commission on the Status of Women – for Service as Judge 17th Annual Governor's Awards for Outstanding New Mexico Women
- UNM Alumni Association Zia Award
- U.S. Postal Service – Community Service Award/Hattie McDaniel Stamp