

## Tonya R. Jones to be sworn-in as Cuyahoga County Domestic Relations Court's first elected Black judge

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***CLEVELAND URBAN NEWS.COM-Cleveland, Ohio-Cuyahoga County Domestic Relations Court Judge Tonya R. Jones (pictured), a former juvenile court magistrate and Cleveland Ward 1 resident, and the first Black to win a seat on that court, will be sworn in at 4:30 pm on Friday, January 13, 2017 at the Rotunda of the Old Courthouse in Cleveland, 1 Lakeside Avenue.***

*A Democrat, Jones won the seat in the November election against Republican Janet Rath Colaluca, who was appointed by Gov John Kasich to the Cleveland Municipal Court on April 12, 2016 to fill the vacancy left by the departure of Judge Angela Stokes, a Democrat and a daughter of the late former 11th congressional district congressman Louis Stokes.*

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The swearing-in event is free and open to the public, and a reception will follow.

*Cuyahoga County is the largest of 88 counties statewide and is roughly 29 percent Black. It also includes the largely Black major metropolitan city of Cleveland.*

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**Swearing-in Ceremony of**

**Judge Tonya R. Jones**

**Cuyahoga County Domestic Relations Court**

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