

**THE HONORABLE RAHKEL BOUCHET**  
**MAGISTRATE JUDGE**  
**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

Rahkel Bouchet was appointed by Chief Judge Lee F. Satterfield on January 4, 2016.

Judge Bouchet was born and raised in Los Angeles and graduated from Immaculate Heart High School in 1990, at 16 years of age. Judge Bouchet graduated *cum laude* from Howard University, in 1993, receiving her B.A. in Legal Communications. While attending Howard, she served as a congressional intern and assistant press secretary for Congressman Walter R. Tucker, III, in California's 37<sup>th</sup> congressional district. After graduating from Howard, Judge Bouchet entered the Howard University School of Law, her mother's alma mater. While at Howard Law, she was a founding member of the Trial Advocacy Moot Court Team.

Since graduating from Howard Law, Judge Bouchet has been admitted to practice law in five jurisdictions: California, New York, Tennessee, Texas and the District of Columbia. In 2008, Judge Bouchet returned to the D.C. metropolitan area and started her own law practice. She was an experienced litigator, with an expansive law practice that included Criminal and all aspects of Family Law matters. Her practice also included success before the District of Columbia Court of Appeals.

In 2013, while maintaining her private practice, Judge Bouchet joined the faculty at Howard University School of Law, as the Supervising Attorney of the Child Welfare/Family Justice Clinic.

Judge Bouchet is an active member of her community and has served on boards with several community organizations, including but not limited to The National Bar Association and Howard University Law Alumni Association.

Judge Bouchet is the proud mother of two children, Dominique and Stephen.