

**Stormie D. Forte**  
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**EDUCATION:**

**North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC**  
Graduated May 2002  
Juris Doctor

**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill , NC**  
Graduated May 1998  
Master of Science in Rehabilitation Counseling and Psychology

**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill , NC**  
Graduated May 1993  
Bachelor of Arts in Sociology

**EXPERIENCE:**

**Private Practice Attorney**  
**December 2021-Present**

**Stormie Forte Esq., Raleigh, NC**

Serve as the Guardian Ad Litem Attorney Advocate, representing children that are in the custody of the Department of Social Services  
Provide representation for clients with medical malpractice claims

**At Large Representative**  
**July 2020 – Present**

**Raleigh City Council, Raleigh, NC**

Serve as a member of the City of Raleigh's elected governing body representing the citizens of Raleigh  
Set policies and procedures, enact ordinances and adopt the City of Raleigh's budget  
Respond to concerns of the citizens throughout the city

**Principal**  
**January 2019 – Present**

**Obsidian Consulting Services, Raleigh, NC**

Provide business and political consulting services to a wide range of clients  
Develop economic opportunities for small minority and women owned firms in the triangle area  
Assist clients with obtaining historically underutilized business certifications with the State of North Carolina  
Provide strategic services for clients seeking elective office at the local, state and federal level.

**Host**  
**April 2018– March 2020**

**The Art of Listening with Stormie Forte, Raleigh, NC**

Complete interviews with a variety of community leaders  
Conduct interviews with professional athletes, coaches, entrepreneurs, grassroots activists, political candidates, elected officials, entertainers, religious leaders, authors, etc.  
Discuss current events, activities and projects with leaders that may be beneficial to the audience

**Partner**  
**April 2016-December 2020**

**Cardinal Consulting, Raleigh, NC**

Provide campaign consulting, strategy and management to candidates for elective office in local and state wide races  
Develop strategic communications and messaging for candidates and campaign staff  
Design plans for voter engagement, fundraising and grassroots participation for the campaign cycle  
Recruit and coordinate volunteer staffing  
Provide management and oversight for campaign staff

**Ombudsperson**  
**April 2012-February 2018**

**North Carolina Department of Justice, Raleigh, NC**

Addressed external and internal concerns regarding the State Crime Laboratory policies and procedures  
Served as an intermediary to negotiate conflicts with all sectors of the legal field including prosecutors, defense attorneys and judges  
Provided answers to the public regarding questions about processes and procedures at the State Crime Lab  
Created an opportunity for stake holders and employees to communicate issues and concerns regarding the Lab in a manner that was confidential  
Assisted the Crime Lab Director and his staff in developing training for employees regarding ethics, mock trials, testimonies and courtroom policy and procedure.

**Private Practice Attorney**  
**April 2008-April 2012**

**The Law Office of Stormie D Forte, PLLC, Raleigh, NC**

Provided legal representation for civil and criminal matters in District and Superior Court  
Represented clients in all forms of litigation including jury trials  
Prepared legal pleadings to include but not limited to complaints, answers, court orders, settlement agreements and various court motions.

**Assistant Attorney General**  
**April 2003-April 2008**

**North Carolina Department of Justice, Raleigh, NC**

Represented the NC Department of Environment and Resources in Administrative and Superior Court cases regarding environmental litigation.  
Addressed private sector compliance issues for sedimentation and mining programs.  
Participated in informal and court ordered mediation.  
Also represented the State of North Carolina in Appellate Court for criminal matters.  
Prepared and reviewed a variety of legal documents including but not limited to complaints, interrogatories, settlement agreements, and appellate briefs.  
Conducted legal research.  
Provided diverse legal services to the Department of Justice and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

**LICENSE AND CERTIFICATIONS:**

Licensed Attorney, Eastern, Middle and Western Districts of NC, United States Federal Court, April 2003  
Licensed Attorney, North Carolina State Bar, July 2002  
Certified Superior Court Mediator, NC Dispute Resolution Commission, Raleigh NC, July 2016  
Certified District Court Mediator, Carolina Dispute Settlement Services, Raleigh, NC, May 2001  
Certified Rehabilitation Counselor, Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification, Rolling Meadows, IL, April 1998  
Certified Ombudsman, International Ombudsman Association, Deerfield, IL, April 2013  
Licensed Real Estate Agent, North Carolina Real Estate Commission, July 2017

**MEMBERSHIPS:**

International Ombudsman Association (2012-2018)  
United States Ombudsman Association (2012-2018)  
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

**VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP:**

North Carolina Commission on Racial and Ethnic Disparities, Commissioner, April 2014-Present

North Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities Ethics Bowl Advisory Board, February 2015-Present

Clarence Lightner YMCA Achievers Advisory Board, August 2018-Present

Preparing to Soar Advisory Board, January 2019-2020

My Brother's Keeper Advisory Board, December 2019-2020

NC Science Museum Friend's Advisory Board, June 2020-2024

NCCU School of Law Board of Visitors, September 2020-Present