



The Honorable William C. Farris

The Honorable William C. Farris was appointed to the N.C. Dispute Resolution Commission by Chief Justice Mark Martin on October 1, 2018 for a term expiring on September 30, 2021, as a judge member (district court).

Judge Farris is the chief district court judge for District 7 (Edgecombe, Nash and Counties).

He attended Wilson Fike High School (1971); University of North Carolina Chapel Hill (1975); and UNC Law School (1978). Admitted to N.C. Bar 1978. Private practice with Farris and Farris, P.A. for 23 years.

Appointed District Court Judge for the 7th District (Edgecombe, Nash, and Wilson counties) in 2001. Re-elected in 2004, 2008, 2012, 2016, and 2020. Appointed Chief Judge in 2005.

Served as President of N.C. Association of District Court Judges, President of Wilson County Bar Association, Vice-President of N.C. Bar Association, member of N.C. Dispute Resolution Commission, N.C. Academy of Trial Lawyers, NC Child Support Guidelines Review Committee, Wilson County Criminal Justice Partnership Program, Wilson County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council, N.C. Bar Association Administration of Justice Committee, and N.C. Family Court Advisory Board.

He has served as Chairman of Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club Advisory Council, board member of Youth of Wilson and the Mediation Center of Eastern N.C. Youth league coach at Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club, Wilson Recreation Department, Wilson County Youth Athletic Association, Reid Street Community Center, and State Games of N. C.