



Building upon her legal career in public service, **Deidre D. Robert** currently serves as the general counsel for Southern University and A&M College System, a five-campus system.

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Her legal career began in the Parish Attorney's Office of the City of Baton Rouge-Parish of East Baton Rouge as an assistant city prosecutor. During her eleven years with the City-Parish she rose through the ranks to become the first female African-American section chief, serving as the personnel section chief wherein she represented and defended the City-Parish in all labor and employment matters.

Thereafter, she served for six and a half years as assistant attorney general in the Louisiana Department of Justice, Attorney General's Office wherein she held the positions of deputy director of the public protection division, deputy director of the litigation division and special counsel assigned to defend the Louisiana Judiciary.

A servant-leader at heart, Ms. Robert is active in her local and legal community. She has been active in the Louisiana State Bar Association since she began practicing law in 2001. Ms. Robert currently serves as co-chair of the Diversity Committee and is a representative of the 18th Judicial District in the House of Delegates. She also serves as the LSBA liaison to the Louisiana Bar Foundation where she is currently co-chair of the LBF Annual Gala.