



**Judge Kim Wilson Burke
Hamilton County's Drug Court**

Judge Kim Burke presides over Hamilton County's Drug Court, which is the first drug court in the State of Ohio, and one of the oldest drug courts in the United States. She has been Drug Court judge since 2001 in the largest felony level drug court in Ohio, with over 400 persons being treated for substance abuse at any given time.

Judge Burke has been a faculty member of the National Judicial College in Reno, Nevada, where she has taught a yearly week-long course on substance abuse to judges from across the country for 5 years. She was also appointed to be a member of the Supreme Court of Ohio Advisory Committee on Specialized Dockets, where she helped create standards for Ohio judges who wish to create or preside over a drug, mental health, DUI, or other type of treatment court.

Prior to becoming Drug Court judge, Judge Burke was a judge in Hamilton County Municipal Court and a magistrate in Hamilton County Juvenile Court. A graduate of The Ohio State University, she began her legal career as an assistant prosecuting attorney, and was a trial attorney for the City of Cincinnati and a litigator with a large Cincinnati law firm before becoming a judge in 1997.

