

Joseph McKinnon Bio



Joseph McKinnon has spent nearly all of his legal career prosecuting in juvenile court, trying everything from duck hunting violations in Jasper County to vehicular homicide in Brooks County. Born and raised in Moultrie, Georgia, he is a 1996 honor graduate of Colquitt County High School, a 2000 graduate of Florida State University (B.S., Biology), and a 2004 graduate of Mercer Law School.

Beginning in 2002, he began interning in DA's Offices, first in Tifton, then later in Gray and Milledgeville, where he was sworn in under the Third Year Practice Act in 2003. He interned his way into becoming the supervisor of the 3 person Juvenile Court Division of the Ocmulgee Circuit District Attorney's Office in 2005, covering Baldwin, Greene, Hancock, Jasper, Jones, Morgan, Putnam, and Wilkinson Counties as the sole attorney for juvenile court.

In 2016, he returned to his South Georgia roots and became the first sole juvenile court prosecutor in the Southern Circuit District Attorney's Office, covering Brooks, Colquitt, Echols, Lowndes, and Thomas Counties. He is a regular presenter on juvenile matters, both to local law enforcement and to other attorneys via the Prosecuting Attorneys' Council of Georgia.