

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH BROAD

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Thank you for your interest in visiting First Baptist Church Broad.

Please be assured that you are more than welcome to worship with us at any time, however, to stand and meet our congregation with our Pastor or his representative, please fill out the following questionnaire. Also please be aware that you must have filed your petition for the office in order to be recognized.

Name: Jahari M Dowdy

Current place of employment: Law Office of J M Dowdy PLLC

Position seeking: Judge of Shelby County Criminal Court Division I

Job description/responsibilities of this position (2 sentences)

The judge will preside over criminal cases ranging from misdemeanors, which carry a penalty of under 1 year imprisonment, to felonies, which carry a penalty of over 1 year to death. The duties will include informing defendants about the offense they are charged with, accepting guilty pleas, presiding over trial matters, sentencing after jury convictions, and modifying or setting bonds.

What are your 3 platform issues? What are priorities for you? (be specific)

As a judicial candidate, my race is nonpartisan, and I cannot make promises or have a platform. I can tell you that I am dedicated to being fair and firm. I declare that I will be impartial, and I am determined that everyone entering my courtroom will be treated with dignity and respect.

If this position has a large number of opponents would you be willing to step aside in order to have a consensus candidate?

Today is the filing deadline for my race. My only opponent is the governor's appointee.

Are you willing to participate in public debates about what would be best for our city/county? Yes.

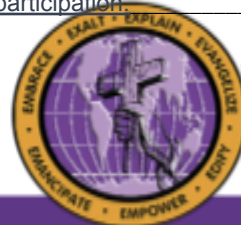
How many offices have you run for? How many offices have you held?

With 20-plus years of experience in criminal law, this is my first time running for office and I have not held an office in the past.

Will you support whoever wins if you are not successful? I will always be respectful and follow the law.

Do you have any plans or goals to help increase not only voter registration but voter participation in the city of Memphis?

As a judicial candidate, my race is nonpartisan. I cannot make promises, have a platform, or host voter registration drives; however, I am a proponent who has worked to build voter participation.



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