

# Johnson's Proud Of His Achievements In Judicial System

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"It gives the nation the opportunity to specifically recognize, honor and appreciate the past accomplishments of black Americans, and it hopefully serves to inspire the setting and achieving of higher goals," are the reasons Black History Month is important to Judge Clifton Johnson.

Johnson, 42, originally from Williamston, N.C., came to Mecklenburg County as an Assistant Prosecutor in January, 1969. He was appointed District Court Judge in August, 1969; Chief District Court Judge in Mecklenburg County in 1974-77, November; Superior Court Judge in December, 1977 and North Carolina Court of Appeals Judge in 1982.

The professional achievements he is proud of are the accomplishments he has made in the judicial system.

He knows that there are more blacks in the judicial system today compared to



Clifton Johnson  
.....Court of Appeals Judge

20 years ago. "They are doing an excellent job, meeting the challenge and continue to meet the challenge with an excellent performance," he com-

mented.

The son of Charlie and Willie Ann Johnson has three brothers- Charles, Kenneth and Harry- and three sisters- Mrs. Mary Ann Wiggins, Mrs. Sylvia Blount and Mrs. Geneva Finch. He and his wife, Brenda, are the parents of four- Yulonda, 19; Clifton, II, 13; Khiva, nine and Clinton, four. He is a 1961 graduate of E. J. Hayes High School, 1964 graduate of North Carolina Central University where he received a B.A. degree in History and a 1967 graduate of North Carolina Central Law School where he received an L.L.B. degree. Judge Clifton Johnson is a life member of the NAACP and North Carolina Central Alumni; North Carolina Courts Commission; North Carolina Bar Association; North Carolina State Bar Association; North Carolina Association of Black

Lawyers; Rotary International and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

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