



## Yvette McGee Brown

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Yvette McGee Brown is the founding president of the Center for Child and Family Advocacy at Nationwide Children's Hospital. A multi-disciplinary child abuse and family violence program that is the first of its kind to co-locate prevention, assessment, treatment, research, advocacy and education services for children and families experiencing abuse. In 2002, Judge McGee Brown retired from the Franklin County Common Pleas Court to lead the effort to create the Center. In her role at Nationwide Children's Hospital, she leads a team of 400 child abuse, medical, and behavioral health professionals that in just five short years has become a national model for integration of multi-disciplinary services.

A common theme in Judge McGee Brown's business and community work is her advocacy for children and families. She serves on the boards of Ohio University, The Ohio State University Medical Center, the Columbus Academy and the Community Shelter Board. She also serves on the boards of M/I Homes, Inc. and Fifth Third Bank of Central Ohio.

In 2008, Judge McGee Brown was inducted into the Ohio Women's Hall of Fame. She has been honored for her community service with the Public Service Award from Ohio University; The Medal of Merit Alumni Award from Ohio University; The Distinguished Service Award from The Ohio State University; the William Oxley Thompson Alumni Award for Distinguished Achievement from The Ohio State University Alumni Association; the Champion of Children Award; and the YWCA Woman of Achievement Award, to name a few.

Prior to her role as President of the Center for Child and Family Advocacy, she served as a Judge in the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas, Division of Domestic Relations and Juvenile Court (1993 – 2002). She was the first African-American and the second woman to be elected to this Court.

Judge McGee Brown is a native of Columbus, Ohio. She received her undergraduate degree in Journalism/Public Relations from Ohio University; her Juris Doctorate from The Ohio State University, Moritz College of Law; an honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from Ohio Dominican University; and, an honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from Mount Carmel College of Nursing.

Judge McGee Brown is married to Tony Brown, an inspiring public school educator. They have three children.

For more information on the Center for Child and Family Advocacy, please visit [www.NationwideChildrens.org/ccfa](http://www.NationwideChildrens.org/ccfa)

