

Clem Doyle, 35 EDUCATION ATTORNEY

Education: Princeton University, Bachelor's Degree, University of Georgia School of Law.

Personal: Married to Mary Margaret Hines Doyle, has two sons: Clay, 5 and Hines, 3

Favorite quote: "Be kind, for every person fights a great battle." – Author unknown

Role model: Clarke Central football coach Billy Henderson and every family member and friend I have ever met.

Volunteer work/Additional projects: Deacon, First Presbyterian Church of Marietta; treasurer, Committee to Re-Elect Supreme Court Justice Harris Hines, Inc.; alumni interviewer, Princeton University; active in the past with MUST Ministries Board of Directors, Rotary, Leadership Cobb, Kids Voting Cobb, Inc. Cobb/Marietta Museum of Art, Cobb Bar, UGA Law Young Alumni Board.

For Clem Doyle, the strength and dedication of metro Atlanta's school districts is an important aspect of shaping a better community.

In 2003, Doyle was tapped to serve as legal counsel for the Marietta School System and became the youngest school board attorney in the state. In 2006, he began serving as counsel in various decisions for the Cobb County Board of Education and Fulton County School Board. In his role, he provides input into various decisions, especially regarding funding and expansion.

"Public education is the most heavily regulated industry in the country," said Doyle. Who works at Marietta's Brock, Clay, Calhoun & Rogers Law Firm. "I have always had a passion for helping school districts as they navigate through complex legal environment they have to navigate. That allows them to focus on their core mission, which I think is educating children and focusing on student achievement."

Among his courtroom contests, Doyle has argued in front of the Georgia Supreme Court in a successful defense of the Cobb County School District, which was at odds with a subcontractor over a \$1.2 million suit.

The 35-year-old attorney also has extensive experience with Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) and Tax Allocation Districts (TAD) decisions that help fund education.

Outside the courtroom, the Athens native spends his time as a father of sons Clay, 5 and Hines, 3, with his wife Mary Margaret.

He is also heavily involved in the community by serving on a variety of boards, including MUST Ministries. He is a member of the Marietta Rotary Club, the Cobb/Marietta Museum of Art and was recently elected a deacon of First Presbyterian Church of Marietta.

"I try to center my life around my family and my community first," he said. "I hope each endeavor I have undertaken bears that out. I don't have a lot of free time to myself, but any time I get any, I like to spend it with my family."

-By Carten Cordell



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