## Edward F. Berry

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## **Profile**

Edward F. Berry was born on July 12, 1955, in Fayetteville, North Carolina. He was educated in Columbus, GA public schools until he graduated in 1973. After a tour of duty in the United States Air Force, Mr. Berry joined Jordan Properties, Inc. in 1978, while pursuing a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Real Estate Finance at Columbus State University, graduating in 1980.

Mr. Berry attained the Certified Commercial Investment Member (CCIM) designation from the National Association of Realtors in 1984. After leaving JPI to attend law school, he graduated from the Walter F. George School of Law at Mercer University with his Juris Doctor degree in 1990. Mr. Berry was hired as an Assistant District Attorney with the Chattahoochee Judicial Circuit. Because of his trial experience at the District Attorney's office, he was recruited by Self, Mullins & Robinson, an insurance defense firm, as a trial attorney.

In 1994, Mr. Berry became a founding partner of Berry & Shelnutt, P.C. In November 2007, Mr. Berry opened a solo practice under the name of Edward F. Berry, Attorney at Law, P.C.

Mr. Berry is a licensed real estate broker in Alabama and Georgia and is admitted to practice law in Alabama, Georgia, and North Carolina.

He is a registered Civil and Domestic Relations Mediator and Arbitrator in Georgia and Certified to conduct mediated settlement conferences in Superior Court Civil Actions in North Carolina. He is Director of Legitimation Station which is a pro bono program to assist fathers in filing a Petition to legitimate their children born out of wedlock.

In January 2016 he was appointed Court Administrator for the Chattahoochee Judicial Circuit and Director of the Chattahoochee Judicial Circuit Office of Dispute Resolution. He is a member of the Georgia Council of Court Administrators.

Since 2018, he has served as an Adjunct Professor on the faculty of Columbus State University teaching LAW SCHOOL: METHODS AND TACTICS, FOUNDATIONS IN JUDICIAL PROCESS, CONSTITUTIONAL LAW AND in the Department of Politics, Philosophy and Public Administration. He also teaches NEGOTIATIONS at the Graduate Level.

Mr. Berry is a graduate of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Columbus program and is a licensed single engine airplane pilot. He is married to Frances Berry and has 3 children and 3 grandchildren.

Education	J.D. Walter F. George School of Law, Mercer Universit	y <i>May 1990</i>
	B.B.A. Real Estate Finance, Columbus State University	May 1980
Employment	Chattahoochee Judicial Circuit Court Administrator and Director of the Office of Dispute Resolution	January 2016 to present
	Edward F. Berry, Attorney at Law, P.C.	July 2007 to December 2015
	Berry, Shelnutt, Day & Hoffman, P.C.	March 1994 – June 2007
	Self, Mullins & Robinson, P.C., Columbus, GA Associate Attorney	January 1992-March 1994
	Chattahoochee Judicial Circuit, District Attorney's Office, Columbus, GA Assistant District Attorney	May 1990- January 1992
	Jordan Properties, Inc., Columbus, GA Vice President of Development	January 1978-April 1987
	United States Air Force	October 1973-October 1977