

Susan E. Cox Biography

Susan E. Cox was selected as a Magistrate Judge for the Northern District of Illinois in Chicago on April 19, 2007 and came on duty on August 27, 2007. Prior to her appointment as Magistrate Judge, Judge Cox was the president and owner of The Law Offices of Susan E. Cox, Ltd., a litigation firm specializing in federal criminal defense and litigation. Judge Cox's litigation background includes three years as law clerk to United States District Judge Wayne R. Andersen, eight years as an Assistant United States Attorney, and thirteen years of civil practice. Judge Cox also served as an impartial Due Process Hearing Officer for the Illinois State Board of Education from June 2005 until June 2007, and as a Federal Defender panel attorney from 2003 until her judicial appointment. Judge Cox was also appointed by the federal court to assist in monitoring employment actions of the City of Chicago and served in that capacity from August 2005 until her appointment as Magistrate Judge. A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Allegheny College (1980), Judge Cox received her law degree from Boston University Law School (1983) where she was an editor of the *Boston University Law Review*. As a Magistrate Judge, Judge Cox is a member of the Second Chance Re-Entry Court and presides over the Veterans' Treatment Court.