



CHIEF JUSTICE ELIZABETH T. CLEMENT

Bio

Chief Justice Elizabeth T. Clement joined the Michigan Supreme Court in November 2017 and became Chief Justice in November 2022. Clement serves as chair of the Michigan Judicial Council and on the Governor's Task Force on Juvenile Justice. She previously served as the Court's co-liaison to the State Court Administrative Office Department of Child Welfare Services, liaison to the 203 Problem-Solving Courts in the state of Michigan and to the Michigan Judicial Institute. Prior to her election to the court, Justice Clement served as Chief Legal Counsel in the Executive Branch, advising on a wide variety of legal, legislative, and policy matters. She previously held the positions of cabinet secretary and deputy chief of staff, as well as deputy legal counsel in the Governor's Office. Clement served as legal counsel to the Michigan Senate in 2010 and as a legal advisor from 2006 to 2010 in the Senate Majority Policy Office. She began her legal career in private practice representing individuals in the areas of family law, adoption, probate, estate planning and criminal law. She graduated from Michigan State University and Michigan State University College of Law. Chief Justice Clement lives with her husband and children in East Lansing.