

Kelley B. Hodge, Esq., Colleague of Senator Mitchell, Independent Oversight Committee



(Hon.) Kelley Hodge serves on the Independent Oversight Committee for the Independent Reconciliation and Reparations Program (IRRP). The Committee will oversee and periodically review the implementation and administration of the IRRP.

(Hon.) Kelley Hodge was elected in July 2017 by the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas Board of Judges to serve as the 25th District Attorney of Philadelphia, becoming the first African American woman to lead the office in its 167-year history and the first African American woman to lead a District Attorney's Office in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Upon completing her historic term in public office, Ms. Hodge returned to the practice of law and is presently of counsel at the law firm of Elliott Greenleaf, P.C. in Blue Bell, Pennsylvania.

Before becoming District Attorney, Ms. Hodge was the first independent Title IX coordinator at the University of Virginia, where she helped develop and implement sex and gender harassment policies across the University's eleven campuses following the retracted Rolling Stone article on sexual assault at the University. Ms. Hodge worked proactively and effectively to address alleged sex and/or gender-based harassment and intimate partner violence.

Appointed by Governor Tom Corbett, Ms. Hodge previously worked as the Safe Schools Advocate in the School District of Philadelphia for the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, and later served on the Pennsylvania Joint State Commission on Violence Prevention following the tragedy at Sandy Hook (Conn.).

Ms. Hodge earned her Bachelor of Arts from the University of Virginia and earned her law degree from the University of Richmond. She began her legal career as a public defender in Richmond, Virginia. Privately, she is a mentor to high school girls in the national Women of Tomorrow program, Board member of Mission Kids child advocacy program in Montgomery County, PA, Board member for Mercy Neighborhood Ministries in North Philadelphia, Advisory Board Member of Villanova Law School's Institute for Commercial Sexual Exploitation and former Board member of her high school, Mt. St. Joseph Academy in Flourtown, PA.