

Judge Phelan began serving as a judge pro tem in the Yavapai County Superior Court on January 7, 2019. She was appointed to Division 8 of the Superior Court on June 29, 2023. During her time on the bench, she has handled domestic relations, civil, probate, juvenile, and criminal matters. She has also presided over the therapeutic courts in Yavapai County, including Adult Recovery Court, Veteran's Court, and Mental Health Court in both the Prescott and Verde Valley Judicial Districts. Currently, Judge Phelan is assigned to the adult criminal trial calendar at the Yavapai County Criminal Justice Center in beautiful Prescott, Arizona.

Judge Phelan is a native Arizonan and lifetime resident; born, raised, and educated in Arizona. Judge Phelan has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice, with a minor in Psychology, from Northern Arizona University. She received her law degree from the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University in 2002. She moved to Yavapai County in 2006 where she and her husband raised their children. Prior to taking the bench, Judge Phelan worked as a solo practitioner in her own law firm focusing on juvenile and family law.