



**Rep. Elena Parent
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Biography

Elena Parent represents the North DeKalb County communities of Ashford Park, Drew Valley, Clairmont Terrace, Appling Heights, Beverly Hills, Frontier Trail, LaVenture Forest, Marlin Acres, Whispering Hills, Dresden Square, Wakefield Forest, Chamblee, Doraville, Dunwoody, and parts of unincorporated DeKalb at the Georgia General Assembly.

Elena was raised in Alexandria, Virginia, where she attended public schools and graduated from T.C. Williams High School. Elena received her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology with Highest Distinction from the University of Virginia in 1998 and was initiated into Phi Beta Kappa. She earned her law degree from the University of Virginia School of Law in 2002, where she served as Symposium Editor for the Virginia Journal of Social Policy and the Law.

Elena practiced as a litigator at Atlanta law firm Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP from 2002 through 2008. In 2009, she served as the Chief of Staff to State Senator David Adelman, now the United States Ambassador to Singapore, and assisted HOPE Atlanta, a prevention of homelessness non-profit, with development and fundraising.

In 2011, Rep. Parent was the recipient of the Fulton County Daily Report's "On the Rise" award, and also a member of the Atlanta Business Chronicle's "40 Under 40." Elena serves on the Georgia Association of Women Lawyers' Foundation Board and is a member of the Advisory Board of Directors of It's The Journey, Inc., the organization that produces the Atlanta Two-Day Walk for Breast Cancer. She has served on the Women and Minorities in the Profession Committee of the State Bar of Georgia.

Elena is married to Briley Brisendine, an Associate General Counsel at The Home Depot, Inc. They became proud parents with the birth of their son, Brooks, in February 2010. They are members of All Saints' Episcopal Church in Atlanta.