

Satana Deberry serves as the elected District Attorney for Durham County. As District Attorney, she has prioritized the prosecution of serious offenses, implemented policies to reduce unnecessary pretrial incarceration and court involvement, and worked to improve trust and equity in the courts.

Throughout her career, Deberry has worked to dismantle systems that restrict the lives of poor people, families, communities of color, and other marginalized and underrepresented groups. She brings to the office of District Attorney extensive experience, having served as a criminal defense attorney in her hometown of Hamlet, North Carolina, General Counsel for the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, and executive director of the nonprofit North Carolina Housing Coalition.

Deberry is a recipient of the North Carolina Justice Center's 2020 Defender of Justice Award for Litigation, the Duke Law Alumni Association's 2020 Charles S. Murphy Award for Civic Service, and Attorney General Josh Stein's Dogwood Award. She received her AB in Sociology from Princeton University, her Juris Doctor from Duke University School of Law and her master's in Business Administration from Duke University's Fuqua School of Business. She is a mother who enjoys spending time with her active teenage daughters.