

CHRIS BIO

Chris Hollins, an attorney and fourth-generation Houstonian, is the former County Clerk and Chief Elections Officer of Harris County, Texas. In private practice, he is the Principal Attorney at Hollins Law Group PLLC.

Chris developed a commitment to public service through the selfless example of his parents and their devotion for improving the lives of others. His father, George, served for 34 years in the Houston Police Department, and his mother, Christie, managed a career as an administrative assistant while raising Chris, his two sisters, and more than 20 young foster children.

Before transitioning into private practice, Chris developed a strong strategic skillset by working at some of the world's most distinguished professional service firms. As a management consultant, he flourished in applying analytics and organizational best practices to transform public safety, defense, and security agencies. He also served in the White House Office of Presidential Personnel.

Chris holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with Phi Beta Kappa honors from Morehouse College. Chris also completed a joint program with Yale Law School and Harvard Business School, earning both his Juris Doctor and Master of Business Administration degrees. Today, Chris is admitted to the State Bar of Texas and Federal Courts for the Southern District of Texas. Chris has served on numerous nonprofit boards and has been a Big Brother for over a decade.

As County Clerk, Chris made it a priority to protect the right to vote for Harris County's 2.5 million registered voters. To do so, he implemented the S.A.F.E. Elections Plan, a robust set of 24 initiatives to ensure that 2020 elections would be safe, secure, accessible, fair and efficient. The S.A.F.E. Plan included numerous "firsts" in Texas, including 24-hour voting, drive-thru voting, expansion of vote-by-mail programs for eligible voters, and over 800 locations where all voters could cast their ballots safely, conveniently, and with the peace of mind that their vote would be counted.

Since the conclusion of his term as County Clerk, Chris has continued to serve as an advocate for voting rights, democracy, and good government. He believes that our state and our nation must—in addition to addressing countless issues to improve the human condition—protect the basic elements of democracy for all citizens so that "government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

Chris resides in Houston's Third Ward with his wife Morgan, their daughter Vivian, and their son George. The Hollins family attends Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church.