

Leigh Bishop, JD

Leigh Bishop is the Director of the Babies and Toddlers Task Force at the New York City Office of Chief Medical Examiner. In 2023, she was appointed by the Chief Medical Examiner to develop a first-of-its-kind task force to support public health and safety for babies and their families through investigations, multidisciplinary training and special initiatives. From 2019-2023, Leigh was the founder and president of Babies and Toddlers, Inc., a nonprofit organization that provided training across the United States to doctors, lawyers and law enforcement involved in the investigation of serious injuries and deaths of children under the age of 4 years. From 1997-2019, Leigh served as an Assistant District Attorney in Queens County, New York. In 2014, she was appointed as the Chief of the first-of-its-kind Child Fatality Unit established by the then Queens County District Attorney, Richard A. Brown. Leigh led multi-agency investigations involving the New York City Police Department Homicide Squads and Child Abuse Squads, New York City Office of Chief Medical Examiner, Administration for Children's Services and all major New York City hospital network child protection teams to determine the cause of serious injury or death of children under the age of 4 in Queens County. Leigh developed a specialty in homicide and assault investigations and prosecutions involving babies and toddlers with Abusive Head Trauma and is nationally recognized as a resource on the relevant medical and legal issues. Leigh is a 1992 graduate of Rhodes College (Memphis, Tennessee) and a 1996 graduate of Southern Methodist University (SMU) Dedman School of Law (Dallas, Texas). Leigh is originally from Birmingham, Alabama. Roll Tide!