

Marsha Sturdevant, MD, is a candidate for Shelby County Commission District 7. Dr. Sturdevant grew up in a small town in Oregon, attended college and medical school also in Oregon, and completed her medical training in Indiana and Minnesota. She and her family, perhaps looking for warmer weather, moved to Shelby County in 1991 when she began working at UAB. She was a professor at UAB School of Medicine for 26 years and Director of the Adolescent Clinic at Children's Hospital for 24 years.

After spending decades in a profession dedicated to helping people, upon retirement six years ago Dr. Sturdevant found other ways to help. She serves on the Board of Directors of AIDSAlabama and is Central Regional Director of Destination Imagination, an international organization which involves students in project-based problem-solving competitions. She is a member of Alabama Arise, NAACP, Friends of North Shelby County Library, Alabama River Alliance, and GASP, in addition to Chair of the Shelby County Democratic Party and a member of the Alabama Democratic Party Executive Committee. She is a frequent participant in marches and rallies that support good policies or protest bad ones.

When asked why she decided to run for office, Dr. Sturdevant replied, "I am running for county commissioner for the same reason I became a doctor, to help people. I want people in my district to count on me to listen to their concerns and to work on solutions."

She and her husband have three grown children and three grandchildren. She is happy to show photos upon request.