

**Family:** Married to Dr. Jeffrey Dayton; two daughters – Emily (Age 11) and Abigail (Age 8); cat and dog; Parents and Siblings all in Bergen County

**Community Involvement:**

- **Tenaflly Pride** – member of Pride committee to raise tolerance and awareness of LGBTQ diversity, sexual orientation and gender identity
- **Northern Valley Greenway** – advocate to develop six town linear green space bike and walk path for health and wellness
- **Tenaflly Cares** – participate in meal delivery to seniors and families to combat food insecurity while supporting Tenaflly downtown business
- **Women’s Empowerment Democratic Organization (WEDO)** to increase women in government and politics
- **Stanton Strong** – advocate for women’s rights and reproductive choice
- **Temple Sinai of Bergen County** – synagogue member; Rabbi selection committee; past Early Childhood Education class parent and book fair chairperson
- **Kaplan JCC on the Palisades** – Rubin Run participant – raises money for individuals with special needs; Lavish Lunch participant – raises money for seniors and senior programming at the JCC
- **The Community Chest**– invited speaker at Young Women Leadership event
- **Women for Progress** – Member to support and advocate for progressive issues, such as gun control, equality for women, and human rights
- **Maugham Elementary School** - past Home School Association Secretary, led Teacher Appreciation Week, Book Fair Chairperson, Class Parent
- **Tenaflly Softball Coach** – for past six years

**1(b).** My life has been dedicated to public service and the pursuit of justice. I majored in Policy Analysis and Management from Cornell University, which is the empirical examination of public policy and solutions. I learned to critically examine evidence and utilize multivariate data to evaluate the economic, social and ethical impact of public policies on individuals, families and communities.

Afterward, I earned my Juris Doctorate from Emory School of Law, where I then embarked on a legal career representing clients in New York and Georgia for labor and employment, commercial litigation and immigration and asylum. As an attorney, I have represented a variety of clients seeking fair business deals, improved workplace conditions, civil rights violations, and those seeking to make a better quality of life from other countries.

I have had the honor to serve as Tenaflly Councilwoman and Council President, where I am responsive and accountable to residents. Currently, I am working on the unfortunate realities our residents are facing during and after this pandemic. I am passionate about serving my community and have remained steadfast in responding to concerns and resident calls dealing with health emergencies, loss of jobs, economic hardship, and food insecurity.

Leadership takes more than voting on the issues; it takes the ability to delve into the issues and find realistic solutions that will make a difference in the quality of our diverse residents’ lives. My experiences provide a strong basis to legislate for the residents of District 37 in the Assembly.