

# Keeping the Promise...

## NAWJ 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference

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National Association  
of Women Judges

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# MISSION STATEMENT

The National Association of Women Judges' mission is to promote the judicial role of protecting the rights of individuals under the rule of law through strong, committed, diverse judicial leadership, fairness and equality in the courts, and equal access to justice.

## WHO IS NAWJ?

Since 1979, the National Association of Women Judges has fought to preserve judicial independence, ensure equal justice and access to the courts for women, minorities and other historically disfavored groups, to increase the number and promote the advancement of women judges at all levels, and provide cutting-edge judicial education.

NAWJ's diverse membership includes women and men at all levels of the federal, state, tribal, military and administrative judiciary from every state and territory in the nation, as well as attorneys, law clerks, law students and law professors committed to our mission of diversity and equality in the system of justice.



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## WELCOME ~

Dear NAWJ Members,

I want to welcome each and everyone one of you to this beautiful and vibrant city, Portland, that is the host of NAWJ's 30th Annual Conference, "Keeping the Promise. . ." Many of you here are regular attendees who will recall wonderful memories of conferences past, reconnect with good friends, and celebrate this opportunity to show support for all that NAWJ has accomplished. If you are a first time attendee, I know that this will not be your last conference. For those of you who are relatively new judges or have been newly elevated to a higher court or different jurisdiction, we again have designed a special program to help your transition to the bench or to your new court.



This is a time to learn, step back, recharge and relax in the company of your colleagues from across the country, all of whom share a commitment to excellence, equality, independence and full diversity in our courts. The educational sessions are timely and varied, featuring nationally prominent expert presenters on issues of critical importance. They include and appeal to the broad range of NAWJ members from all levels of the local, state, federal, administrative, tribal and military judiciary. Wherever you sit as a judge, you will find sessions that will enhance your judicial skills and inform you about new developments we may often be too busy to learn about in our day-to-day work.

I want to extend my congratulations and heartfelt thanks to Conference Chair Judge Ellen Rosenblum and her indefatigable Conference Committees, who have worked tirelessly to prepare, present and support this wonderful conference for us. Warmest thanks also are due to the Portland Friends Committee Chair Lindsey Hughes and her supportive team of Friends, an extraordinary group of leaders representing the very heart and soul of the Portland and greater Pacific Northwest legal community.

That this Conference takes place in Portland, Oregon, "The Rose City", is of special significance. Not only is this one of America's greenest cities in every sense of the word, and a thriving community that is rich in regional beauty, colorful history, world-class museums and a unique urban culture that has drawn particular attention for the number and talent of its chefs and brewpubs, but it was the city that welcomed my family to this country when we immigrated here in 1956 when I was six years old. After an arduous cross-country train ride, the green that surrounded us and, yes, the roses we found planted in our first home in nearby Roseburg, were a welcome gift.

So it is with special warmth and gratitude that I thank you for your unceasing commitment to NAWJ's overarching mission, and for the overwhelming support and encouragement that has inspired me every day of my wonderful year as your President. In the course of our Conference I will be reporting to you on this extraordinary year of achievement. I leave this office knowing that all of you share my certainty that the best yet lies ahead, for NAWJ and for our system of justice and extend to our incoming President, La Tia Martin, my warmest wishes for a wonderful year.

With warm regards,

Fernande R.V. Duffly  
NAWJ President  
Massachusetts Court of Appeals



## WELCOME NAWJ -

On behalf of "Team Portland" - welcome to Portland! We are so proud to be hosting the 30th Annual Conference of the National Association of Women Judges. We are also excited to show off our city. The recently refurbished Marriott Downtown Waterfront Hotel will be a wonderful venue for our meetings, as well as a nice jumping off point for exploring the city. Be sure to check out the Columbia Room on the main floor, which will serve as our hospitality suite both during meeting hours and after the evening programs have concluded.

We look forward to sharing a few of Portland's highlights with you, including the new aerial tram, which will take us on Thursday evening from the river to the top of the hill where the Oregon Health Sciences University campus is located. A buffet supper will be served at the lower end, so even if you prefer not to ride the tram, please join us for dinner and music at the Center for Health and Healing. Judge Ann Aiken and her federal trial judge colleagues have gone all out for us with Friday's reception at the United States Courthouse, and Saturday's "free" afternoon will begin with tours of the historic Pioneer Courthouse hosted by our Ninth Circuit judges. (Don't forget to leave some time for shopping - there's no sales tax in Oregon!)

We have an amazing array of educational sessions from which to choose — 21 in all. Our theme, "Keeping the Promise..." will be reflected in all of our programs, beginning with the opening plenary session, "Keeping the Promise of the Rule of Law," and concluding Saturday morning with a focus on children and the environment. We are particularly delighted to welcome our keynote speakers, Donzaleigh Abernathy, Linda Greenhouse, Professor Pamela Karlan and Ann Rule. Every one of our panelists and moderators is an expert in her or his subject, and we are thrilled to have no less than 76 women and 16 men participating as speakers over the course of the conference! The addition of a half-day joint program with our own Oregon Women Lawyers (OWLS) on Friday afternoon brings a unique new dimension. NAWJ has begun involving judges in the critical dialogue about law firm dissatisfaction and how it impacts the legal profession as a whole, including the judiciary. This conversation will continue with OWLS both in a panel discussion on Friday as well as a roundtable on Saturday morning.

There are so many people to thank. We could not be hosting this conference in Portland if it weren't for the women of OWLS who stepped up to the plate from my first email to the OWLS listserv and have been with us all the way. Our education committee co-chairs, Judge Mary Deits and Elizabeth Stephens and their committee, have truly done a phenomenal job of putting together our education program. Heather Weigler, my former clerk, took the laboring oar and created and maintained our organizational structure and attended to virtually every detail. Right up there with the amazing Heather is Judge Jill Tanner, our treasurer. She has become my closest judicial partner on every aspect of the conference. Judge Julie Frantz, our events chair extraordinaire, as well as our District 13 Director, must secretly hold a PhD in event planning. Libby Davis, our volunteer chair, has graciously undertaken to organize the legions of volunteers you'll see at every turn.

Last, but far from least, Lindsey Hughes, our "Friends" chair, has done an outstanding job of raising funds for this conference from local and regional law firms. We are so grateful to Lindsey and her fabulous committee. We have more "friends" than I ever thought imaginable — and look forward to thanking them at our Sponsors Luncheon on Friday.

I have thoroughly enjoyed working with Dru Ramey, Jeff Groton and Lavinia Cousin and want to wish Dru well in her future endeavors. Justice Nan Duffly, our president, has been a special delight to work with in preparation for "her" conference. And, Judge LaTia Martin - I wish you all the best as you take on the presidency of NAWJ.

Have a wonderful time in Portland and at the conference. Come back when you have even more time to enjoy the Pacific Northwest!

Sincerely,



Ellen Rosenblum  
2008 Conference Chair



## A Message From the Executive Director

Dear Members and Friends of NAWJ,

As this 30th Annual Conference unfolds here in lovely Portland, marking my final days at NAWJ, I want to extend to all of you my profound gratitude for the privilege of serving as your Executive Director over these past several years.

I came into NAWJ feeling I already knew a lot about women judges, but quickly learned that I had no real concept of the enormous depth of talent, energy, courage, commitment and compassion that resides in the women of the American judiciary.

From the military judges who have been called upon to risk all in service of the Constitution, to the tribal judges who bridge often discordant worlds to achieve justice for their communities, to the ALJ's, state judges and those serving on the federal bench, NAWJ's membership represent all that is best in our nation's system of justice.

I have greatly enjoyed my tenure at NAWJ, and have especially benefited from the opportunity to work so closely with our enormously diverse and dedicated leadership and staff in aid of this Association's noble mission of diversity, equality, fairness and independence in the justice system. It has been a particular pleasure to work with our ever-growing Resource Board, representing as it does the very heartland of the talent of the legal profession and related corporations.

I leave, however, secure in the knowledge that NAWJ is poised to continue to grow and prosper ever more with each succeeding year, and I will always treasure the friendships I've made in pursuit of our common goal.

With warmest regards and thanks,



Drucilla Stender Ramey



# GENERAL INFORMATION

## REGISTRATION

All conference attendees should check-in at the Registration Desk in the Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront upon arrival. Each conference attendee will receive a name badge, conference program, course materials, and a welcome gift at check-in.

## NAME BADGES

All conference attendees will receive name badges at registration. Name badges will serve as the means of admission to most conference functions. Please wear your name badge during all meals, educational programs, on-site meetings and events, and to board buses.

## REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION DESK

The Registration and Information Desk on the lower level (take escalator down from the lobby) will be open all day, every day throughout the conference, beginning at Noon on Wednesday, October 15, 2008 and ending at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, October 19, 2008.

## CELL PHONES AND PAGERS

Please set all cell phones and pagers on silent mode during all educational offerings and other conference events.

## HOSPITALITY SUITE

Faithful to tradition, this year's conference offers a hospitality suite for all conference participants to mix, mingle, and relax. Join friends and colleagues in the Columbia Room on the main floor at the Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront. The hospitality suite will be open during the meeting hours and after the evening events until 11 pm. All are welcome.

## LOCAL POINTS OF INTEREST

Portland offers many exciting cultural activities, amusements, and tourist attractions. Saturday and Sunday afternoons are free so that conference attendees and guests may meet, mingle, and enjoy the culture and excitement of Portland. Information about local points of interest and activities can be found in "Ellen's Guide" in your packets, Travel Oregon materials and Willamette Week's "Finder" at the registration desk and at the concierge desk of the hotel.

## SPECIAL NEEDS

Conference attendees who have special needs may obtain assistance by contacting the hotel conference coordinator, Geraldine Medeiros, or the concierge. Volunteers will be available to assist at all special excursions and off-site events. Advance notice is appreciated.

# WELCOME TO PORTLAND

## Portland History

Women have played important roles in the history of Portland and of Oregon. Perhaps most famous is Abigail Scott Duniway, who traveled here from Illinois in 1852. Publisher of a weekly newspaper that promoted women's suffrage, Duniway was the first woman to register to vote in Multnomah County and actively supported the Married Women's Property Act, which gave Oregon women the right to own and control property.

Dorothy McCullough Lee was the first woman elected to the Portland City Council (1943 - 1948), as well as Portland's first woman mayor (1949 - 1953), when she was widely known for her campaign to rid the then wide-open city of bribery, gambling, and prostitution. Lee had obtained a law degree from the University of California by the time she was 22. Connie McCready and Vera Katz also have served as Portland's mayor. Maureen Neuberger was Oregon's first female member of Congress (1951-1955), followed by Edith Green (1955 -1974).

Betty Roberts was a major figure in the state legislature before becoming the first woman to sit on the state's Court of Appeals, as well as Oregon's first female Supreme Court justice (1981 - 86). Roberts' recently published memoir, *With Grit and by Grace*, is a remarkable story. Barbara Roberts, still active in civic affairs, was the first woman to serve as governor (1991 - 1995).

The growth of the city has been driven by trade — the result of being situated at the confluence of the Columbia and Willamette Rivers. Portland formally came into being in 1844, when two New Englanders filed a claim for 640 acres of land on the Willamette's west bank. One of the two settlers was from Boston; the other was from Portland, Maine. They wanted to name the city after their own home towns, and a flip of a coin made the decision. Portland is known less formally as the City of Roses for its most prominent flower and for its internationally famous test gardens.

Threads of Native American culture still stitch together much of the history of the surrounding region. This is most apparent in local tribal names like Multnomah, Molalla, Scappoose, Clatskanie, Clatsop and Clackamas — now names of northwest Oregon counties and towns.

Today Portland is best known for its style of life as one of America's "Most Livable Cities." It's a practical, friendly, and farsighted place that may lack the frenetic pace of Seattle or San Francisco, but makes up for it with a laidback culture and creativity that finds its voice in the city's multitude of fine restaurants, hip neighborhoods, and vibrant downtown.



# Top 10 Places to Visit in Portland

The city is clean, green, friendly and eclectic. This is Portland, Oregon.

Conveniently located an hour east of the Pacific Ocean and an hour west of beautiful mountains, Portland is a major tourist draw and home to many loyal Oregonians.

Here's a list of ten places you can easily find within a reasonable distance from our hotel:

1. Walk the "Esplanade." This provides a circle tour of bridges and paths along the west and east sides of the Willamette River, directly across from the headquarters hotel.

2. Visit the Classical Chinese Garden. Located in nearby Old Town, this attraction features beautiful gardens, a peaceful lake, and a traditional teahouse.

3. Stop by Powell's Books (Burnside and 10th). You'll soon see why this amazing store is called "City of Books."

4. Check out the Portland Art Museum. Located in the Park Blocks at SW Madison and Park, a brief walk from the Portland State University campus. Don't miss the new contemporary art collection.

5. Stop for coffee. There are so many places that feature locally roasted beans. Stumptown is our "homegrown" favorite — on Southwest Third beside the Bijou Café and in the Ace Hotel on SW Stark Street, at 11th Avenue.

6. Walk around Pioneer Courthouse Square. This is Portland's "living room" and even boasts a vane that tells the weather.

7. Shop downtown and the Pearl. Remember, as you zip through Nordstrom, Nordstrom Rack, Saks, Macy's, and Pioneer Place — as well as numerous boutiques and art galleries — there's no sales tax in Oregon.

8. Visit Washington Park. This special area in the hills west of Downtown includes the Portland Zoo, Japanese Gardens, International Rose Test Gardens, Children's Museum, and World Forestry Center to say nothing of great views of Portland and Mt. Hood.

9. Ride the streetcar and Max. These mass transit options make Portland the envy of many cities its size.

10. Visit our beautiful campuses. These include Reed College (SE Portland — Eastmoreland), Lewis and Clark College and Law School (SW Portland), and the University of Portland (North Portland).

Also, see "Ellen's Guide," "Travel Portland" materials and Willamette Week's Finder at the registration desk and in your materials.



THEODORE R. KULONGOSKI  
Governor

October 2008

Greetings National Association of Women Judges:

Please accept my warm welcome to the State of Oregon. I am honored that our State is hosting your 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, "Keeping the Promise," in Portland, Oregon.

As Governor and as a former Oregon Supreme Court Justice, I am a strong supporter of your mission to preserve the judiciary's independence and ensure equal justice and access to the courts for women, minorities, and other historically disfavored groups. I believe the steps we take toward attaining these goals are steps toward a more just society for all. We are also united in your mission to promote the investiture and advancement of women judges. Diversifying Oregon's bench has been and will remain a priority in my administration. It is long past time for our benches to reflect the population they serve.

During your stay in Portland, I hope you will take the time to enjoy Oregon's natural beauty and cultural treasures. A short distance from your conference site lies the Tom McCall Waterfront Park and Vera Katz Eastside Esplanade along the Willamette River, the beautifully restored Pioneer Courthouse and the Portland Art Museum. Just beyond Portland, you will find the grandeur of the Columbia Gorge National Scenic Area and the world-recognized vineyards of the Willamette Valley.

Please accept our best wishes for a successful and productive conference.

Sincerely,

THEODORE R. KULONGOSKI  
Governor

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Chief Justice Paul J. De Muniz



Oregon Supreme Court

September 8, 2008

Dear National Association of Women Judges' members, colleagues and guests:

It is my privilege to welcome you on behalf of the members of Oregon's judiciary. We are honored that you chose Portland to host your 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference entitled "*Keeping the Promise.*"

The Oregon Courts and NAWJ share the same vision for the future: fair, equal, accessible and timely justice for all, including women, minorities and other historically disadvantaged groups. We applaud your dedication to preserving judicial independence and support your efforts to encourage women and minorities to seek judicial appointments. In Oregon's densely populated 4th Judicial District which includes the city of Portland there is an equal gender balance among the circuit court judges—please join us in celebrating this recent achievement!

We have a remarkable team of Oregon judges and Oregon Women Lawyers (OWLS) who for the last two years have worked together on this conference. We are proud of "NAWJ's Team Portland" lead by Oregon Court of Appeals Judge Ellen Rosenblum, who is this year's conference chair, Multnomah Circuit Court Judge Julie Frantz, who is NAWJ's District 13 Director, former Court of Appeals Chief Judge Mary Deits, and Oregon Tax Court Presiding Magistrate Jill Tanner. Members of Oregon's judiciary are well represented as participants and attendees at the conference.

Our best wishes for a successful conference and may you enjoy the best of Portland.

Sincerely

Paul J. De Muniz  
Chief Justice  
Oregon Supreme Court

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September 4, 2008

National Association of Women Judges  
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Dear Members of the NAWJ:

The Ninth Circuit judges who are resident here in beautiful Portland, Oregon, are pleased to add our warm welcome to those who are attending the 2008 conference of the National Association of Women Judges.

In addition to seeing you during the course of the conference, we will host a tour of the historic Pioneer Courthouse—the Ninth Circuit’s home in Portland—on Saturday. Please stop by for the half-hour tour before embarking on your other afternoon activities.

Best wishes for a successful conference.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan P. Graber". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Susan P. Graber



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September 18, 2008

Greetings National Association of Women's Judges, Members, Colleagues and Guests:

On behalf of the women judges in the United States District Court for the District of Oregon, welcome to the 2008 National Association of Women Judges Conference! We are thrilled to be a part of "Keeping the Promise . . . ." and hope to greet everyone at the reception Friday evening at the Mark O. Hatfield United States Courthouse. We are delighted to have the opportunity to showcase the best our state has to offer. A "green and chic" event, the reception will offer an array of Oregon specialties to sample while you mingle with a fabulous group of people. We look forward to seeing you there!

With Warmest Regards,

Hon. Ann Aiken  
Hon. Anna Brown  
Hon. Janice Stewart  
Hon. Patricia Sullivan

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September 12, 2008

Dear Attendees at the 30th Annual Conference of the National Association of Women Judges:

It is my privilege, on behalf of the Oregon Court of Appeals, to welcome the National Association of Women Judges to Oregon as you convene in Portland for your 30th Annual Conference. Although I cannot personally join you because of previous public service commitments, I can think of no more important work than the efforts that your organization has made to strengthen our nation's judiciary through a commitment to equal justice through diversity, education, and judicial independence. I am especially proud of the role that my colleagues from the Oregon Court of Appeals, Judge Ellen Rosenblum and Chief Judge Mary Deits, have played in developing the program for and managing this year's conference. These wonderful people epitomize the strength, character, and quality of Oregon's women judges.

Our journey toward equality in the legal profession and the judiciary is far from complete. Much more must--and will-- be done before we can truly declare that the playing field is level. The Oregon courts share your unwavering commitment to this essential objective. Thank you for your service, and I congratulate you on a stellar program for this year's conference.

Yours truly,

Dave Brewer  
Chief Judge  
Oregon Court of Appeals



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JULIE E. FRANTZ  
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Welcome to the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual National Association of Women Judges Conference. We are honored to host this wonderful event in Portland, Oregon, the City of Roses. As the NAWJ District 13 Director, along with many others from Oregon, Washington and Alaska who have dedicated themselves to the success of this conference, I hope that you enjoy all that our beautiful city and this exciting four-day conference offer. It is also at this conference, so magnificently chaired by Oregon Court of Appeals Judge Ellen F. Rosenblum, that we will be honoring the accomplishments of the current NAWJ President, the Hon. Fernande Duffly, and the work of her Board this past year. Participating in this conference are state and federal judges from across the nation and around the globe, administrative law judges, attorneys, and other guests. We are very glad each of you are here, and look forward to the sharing of information, thoughts and ideas, and to the collegiality that flows from the time spent together.

The statue of Portlandia, captured on the cover of the brochure for this event, extends her hand in inviting you to join us in celebrating the core message of this year's conference ... "Keeping the Promise." This pledge embodies the fundamental components of the judiciary's promise to the members of our communities: impartiality, equality, integrity, independence, protection of liberty, and justice. These are the very words that surround Portlandia on our program as an affirmation of our commitment to these principles embraced by our oath of office. For a view of the 36 foot statue, we encourage a stroll down Fifth Avenue until you reach the Portland Building, and then look up. To take you beyond the conference facilities, a guide to the many cultural, recreational, historical and natural sites that create our city and the surrounding landscape is provided for use.

We are especially pleased at this time to be hosting this event because the contribution and leadership of women in the judiciary have never been more prominent in our Pacific Northwest than it is today. The Hon. Dana Faber is in her 12th year as Chief Justice of the Alaska Supreme Court, and our neighbor to the north, Washington State, with 99 women judges will soon be led by Justice Barbara Madsen as she assumes the Chief Justice position. In Multnomah County (Portland), 19 of our 38 elected judges are women, including our presiding judge, the chief family law and criminal law judges, and the key civil motion panel and dispute resolution judges. Statewide, 62 of 185 judges are women. And, our stellar women judges of the Ninth Circuit, who greatly contributed to this effort, continue to prominently serve.

We are very privileged to have many greatly respected and knowledgeable speakers and panelists presenting at this conference, including keynote speakers Linda Greenhouse, Pulitzer Prize winning former Supreme Court analyst for the New York Times, Donzaleigh Abernathy who will speak about the American Civil Rights Movement, and crime novelist Ann Rule. The conference topics are educational, diverse and thought provoking and, as the program reveals, run the gamut from a panel discussion on the Rule of Law and an analysis of the evolving Roberts Court, to an overview of Programs for Women in Prison and a look at the legal issues accompanying the aging process, among many other topics of compelling interest.

With unending thanks to the staff of NAWJ, again welcome to this year's NAWJ conference in Portland.

Julie E. Frantz  
 NAWJ District 13 Director; Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge



UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

School of Law

Dear NAWJ Members:

Margaret Paris  
Dean

On behalf of the University of Oregon School of Law, I'm honored to greet distinguished attendees of the National Association of Women Judges' 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Our law school is proud to be a conference supporter, and our faculty, students, and staff salute you for "keeping the promise" of an independent and impartial judiciary that ensures liberty, justice, and equal rights for all.

As Oregon's public law school, we have educated lawyers, judges, and civic leaders since our founding in 1884. Our students come from across the country and the world, drawn to our state, our rigorous program of legal education, and Oregon Law's historic commitment to public service. For the seventh time in seven years, our students have received the Oregon State Bar award for pro bono service, creating access to legal services for hundreds of underprivileged individuals.

The mission of NAWJ, and its theme of Keeping the Promise, provide us with inspiration and renewed commitment to the great work of justice that we all share. Thanks to NAWJ's leadership, the justice system offers greater fairness and access to justice than ever before to women, people of color, and other vulnerable groups.

We're particularly proud of the work of our alumna Ellen Rosenblum, this year's conference chair and recent recipient of the ABA'S 2008 Nelson Award. Judge Rosenblum is a tireless public servant who has provided extraordinary leadership within the NAWJ, the ABA, and other organizations. Despite her busy calendar, she continues to mentor and guide law students and young lawyers. Thank you, Ellen!

We wish you a successful conference, and we hope you enjoy your time in our beautiful state.

With best regards,

Margie Paris

Phillip H. Knight Dean





**WILLAMETTE**  
THE FIRST UNIVERSITY IN THE WEST

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Dear NAWJ Members:

On behalf of Willamette University College of Law, I welcome the National Association of Women Judges to Portland, Oregon, for this outstanding conference.

Your organization works hard to achieve goals, many of which are goals that the College of Law shares with you. Just as your organization is committed to providing access for women, minorities and other historically disfavored groups to the courts, the College of Law is committed to providing equal access to legal education. And just as your organization is committed to principles of equal justice and judicial independence, so is the College of Law. We welcome your organization to our state and are pleased at the program you have planned.

Setting the conference in Portland provides an opportunity for outstanding women of Oregon's judiciary and legal profession to participate in the conference, as both presenters and members of the audience. Thank you for coming to Oregon and giving us that opportunity. In particular, we are pleased to see that outstanding members of the Willamette alumni family will be a part of the program. Susan Hammer, The Honorable Mary Deits, Jeffrey Batchelor, and The Honorable Susan Leeson, among others, are participating in the program.

In addition, we appreciate all the work that OWLS has done in preparation for this conference. Oregon is fortunate to have an outstanding professional organization for women lawyers.

Have a great conference! Enjoy Portland and Oregon.

Kathy Graham  
Acting Dean  
Willamette University College of Law

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National Association of Women Judges

Lewis & Clark Law School is pleased to welcome to Portland the eminent jurists attending the 2008 National Association of Women Judges annual conference. Lewis & Clark takes pride in its own history of granting women the opportunity to get a legal education and in our long list of women graduates who are or have been members of the bench. The law school and NAWJ have in common a commitment to gender equity, to equal access to the courts for all, to promoting social justice, and to the advancement of women judges at all levels. We applaud the NAWJ for its work in providing judicial education, opportunities for its members to enrich their professional lives.

The law school commends Ellen Rosenblum, an honorary alumna of Lewis & Clark, for her work in organizing this year's conference. Judge Rosenblum personifies the highest standards of professionalism and her work to maintain the highest standards within the legal profession and the judiciary are exemplary.

The law school is proud to count many of its graduates among your members. Lewis & Clark congratulates the NAWJ on its vision and goals for the future and wishes you a most successful conference.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Martha Spence".

Martha Spence  
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs



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**Dear Attendees:**

**On behalf of Oregon Women Lawyers' more than 1,300 members, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to Portland, Oregon for the 30th Annual Conference of the National Association of Women Judges. We look forward to the opportunity to meet you during the NAWJ/OWLS joint sessions on Friday, October 17th, and Saturday, October 18th.**

**OWLS was officially incorporated as a 501(c)(6) non-profit professional association in 1989, bringing together several pre-existing regional women lawyers groups, now known as OWLS Chapters. The principal purposes of Oregon Women Lawyers are:**


- **To promote equal rights and opportunities for women and minorities within the legal profession and the justice system;**
- **To promote full participation of women and minorities in the organized bar and in the legislative and judicial branches of government;**
- **To provide opportunities for women and minorities in the legal profession to support and educate one another;**
- **To improve the quality and image of the legal profession in Oregon; and,**
- **To actively promote equality and fair treatment of all people within the legal profession and in society.**

**In keeping with these goals, OWLS has established an annual Work Place Leader Award which recognizes a legal employer who is making an innovative and effective effort to promote one or more of the following values:**

- **A healthy balance between work and life;**
- **Acquiring and maintaining a diverse workforce; and**
- **Maximizing opportunities for women and minorities to succeed in the workplace and advance to positions of influence and leadership.**

**OWLS extends a warm welcome to you to participate with us in honoring the recipient of the Third Annual OWLS Workplace Leader Award, which will be presented at the Friday night reception at the Mark O. Hatfield United States Courthouse, hosted by our local federal judges.**

**Yours very truly,**

  
**Laura Caldera Taylor, President  
Oregon Women Lawyers**

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

National Association of Women Judges

## 30<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Portland, Oregon

October 15-19, 2008

Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2008

Noon - 7:30 pm	Registration	<b>Ballroom Foyer</b>
Noon - 5:00 pm	NAWJ Board Luncheon and Meeting	<b>Salons A &amp; B</b>
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Welcome Reception (Sponsored by Audrey Hepburn Children's Fund)	<b>Mount Hood Room (2nd Floor)</b>
7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	"Holly" Clips and Conversation Clips from Holly, a film about exploitation and trafficking of women and children, will be the conversation topic. Michele Vivona, Senior Vice President, LexisNexis® Global Web Strategy will introduce the film producer, Guy Jacobson, a New York lawyer and investment banker, who has spent six years working to raise global awareness. Jenner & Block lawyer, Martina E. Vandenberg, will address the issue of trafficking in the United States and efforts to provide legal remedies for survivors.	<b>Salon F (Theater)</b>
7:30 pm - 11:00 pm	Hospitality Suite <i>The Columbia Room on the main floor of the hotel is our conference "Hospitality Suite." It will be open throughout the conference days, beginning Wednesday evening and in the evenings after the major events until 11 pm. There you can relax and enjoy snacks and conversation as well as take advantage of some special features at particular times that will be announced at the beginning of the conference. We hope you will enjoy this new, expanded version of Oregon hospitality!</i>	<b>Columbia Room</b>

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2008

*Please note that the Hospitality suite will be open throughout the conference days, beginning each morning and in the evenings after major events until 11 pm.*

7:30 am - 5:00 pm	Registration	<b>Ballroom Foyer</b>
7:30 am - 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast	<b>Ballroom Foyer</b>
8:30 am - 9:15 am	<b>Opening Session</b> Introduction: <b>Honorable Ellen F. Rosenblum</b> , Oregon Court of Appeals, Conference Chair Welcome: <b>Honorable Paul J. De Muniz</b> , Chief Justice, Oregon Supreme Court <b>Honorable Mary M. Schroeder</b> , Former Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit President's Report: <b>Honorable Fernande R.V. Duffly</b> , Massachusetts Appeals Court	<b>Salons E &amp; F</b>

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2008**

9:15 am - 10:30 am **Keeping the Promise of the Rule of Law** **Salons E & F**

Moderator: **Susan M. Hammer**, Dispute Resolution Services, Portland, Oregon  
 Panelists: **Honorable Bernice Bouie Donald**, U. S. District Court, Western District of Tennessee  
**Professor Margaret Levi**, Jere L. Bacharach Professor of International Studies, Department of Political Science, University of Washington  
**Honorable M. Margaret McKeown**, U. S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit  
**Norman Sepenuk, PC**, Portland, Oregon, Criminal defense lawyer at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia at The Hague  
**Martina E. Vandenberg**, Jenner & Block, Washington D.C.

10:30 am - 10:45 am Break

10:45 am - Noon Breakout A, B and C

**Breakout A: Salons G, H & I**  
**Effective Communication with the Media**

Moderator:  
**Honorable Jean Kerr Maurer**  
 Presiding Judge, Multnomah County Circuit Court, Portland, Oregon

Panelists:  
**Sherry Lee Alexander, Ph.D.**  
 Assistant Professor, School of Mass Communication Loyola University New Orleans, Louisiana

**Honorable Robert H. Alsdorf**  
 Jurist in Residence,  
 Seattle University School of Law  
 Seattle, Washington

**Charles F. Hinkle**  
 Stoel Rives LLP  
 Portland, Oregon

**Breakout B: Salon D**  
**Creative Problem Solving in Administrative Hearings**

Moderator:  
**Honorable Margaret A. Mangan**  
 D.C. Office of Administrative Hearings

Panelists:  
**Honorable Carol Feinman**  
 New York Office of Temporary Disability Assistance  
 Brooklyn, New York

**Honorable Jennifer Gee**  
 U.S. Department of Labor  
 San Francisco, California

**Honorable Marjorie Rasmussen**  
 Administrative Hearings Bureau,  
 California Department of Insurance  
 San Francisco, California

**Honorable J. E. Sullivan**  
 U.S. Social Security Administration  
 Morgantown, West Virginia

**Honorable Brian O. Watkins**  
 Washington Office of  
 Administrative Hearings  
 Olympia, Washington

**Breakout C: Salon C**  
**NAWJ New Judge Program**

Moderator:  
**Honorable Rosemary Barkett**  
 U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit

Panelists:  
**Honorable Sharon Gleason**  
 Superior Court Judge  
 Anchorage, Alaska

**Honorable Tanya Kennedy**  
 New York Supreme Court  
 New York, New York

**Honorable Brenda Murray**  
 Chief Judge, U.S. Securities  
 and Exchange Commission

**Honorable Patricia Sullivan**  
 Magistrate Judge, U.S. District Court  
 for the District of Oregon

Noon - 1:45 pm **Luncheon** **Salons E & F**

*Keynote Speaker: Donzaleigh Abernathy: "A Personal Perspective on the Civil Rights Movement"*  
 Donzaleigh Abernathy is the daughter of Reverend Ralph David Abernathy, who co-founded the Southern Christian Leadership Conference with Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. This organization was a leading force in the American Civil Rights Movement. Her presentation will provide personal insights into the lifelong relationship between her father and his closest friend.  
 Introduction by **Honorable Ellen F. Rosenblum**, Oregon Court of Appeals, Conference Chair

1:45 pm - 2:00 pm Break

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2008**

2:00 pm - 3:15 pm Breakout A and B

**Breakout A: Salons G, H & I*****Beyond the Bars: A Practical Guide to Planning a Program for Your Local Women's Prison****Moderator:***Honorable Vanessa Ruiz**

District of Columbia Court of Appeals

*Panelists:***Honorable Dana Fabe**

Chief Justice

Alaska Supreme Court

**Honorable Julie E. Frantz**Multnomah County Circuit Court,  
Portland, Oregon**Honorable Brenda P. Murray**Chief Administrative Law Judge  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
Washington, D.C.**Honorable Cathy H. Serrette**Circuit Court for Prince George's County,  
Upper Marlboro, Maryland**Honorable Betty J. Williams**Kings County Criminal Court,  
Brooklyn, New York

3:15 pm - 3:30 pm Break

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm **Spouse and guest event: "Brew and Bites"** at the Harborside Pilsner Room. Local Northwest beer sampler tray and local Portland specialty appetizers just steps from the Marriott, on the Willamette River waterfront. Home of the Full Sail Microbrewery. *There is a \$20.00 fee, please sign up at the registration desk.*

3:30 pm - 4:45 pm Breakout A, B and C

**Breakout A: Salons A & B*****Keeping the Promise in End of Life Decision-Making — The Law and Real Life****Moderator:***Karen Mathis**Former ABA President  
McElroy, Deutsch, Mulvaney &  
Carpenter, LLP  
Denver, Colorado*Panelists:***Gwen Dayton**Oregon Association of Hospitals  
and Health Systems  
Lake Oswego, Oregon**Susan E. Shapiro, Ph.D.**American Bar Foundation  
Senior Research Fellow  
Chicago, Illinois**Susan W. Tolle, M.D.**Director, Center for Medical Ethics,  
Oregon Health Sciences University  
Portland, Oregon**Breakout B: Salon E & F*****Keeping the Promise to our Older Citizens — Our Aging Population and the Court System****Moderator:***Honorable Judith Chirlin**Los Angeles Superior Court,  
Los Angeles, California*Panelists:***Honorable Rita Batz Cobb**Washington County Circuit Court,  
Hillsboro, Oregon**Wesley D. Fitzwater**Fitzwater Meyer LLP  
Portland, Oregon**Maureen Nash, M.D.**Tuality Forest Grove Hospital Center  
for Geriatric Psychiatry  
Forest Grove, Oregon**Peter Shepherd**Oregon Deputy Attorney General  
Salem, Oregon**Breakout B: Salon D*****Modern Tribal Courts: Multi-Jurisdictional Approaches to Shared Legal Challenges****Moderator:***Honorable Susan Owens**

Washington Supreme Court

*Panelists:***Honorable Lisa Atkinson**Chief Judge of the Port Gamble Tribe  
Edmonds, Washington**Edmund C. Goodman**Hobbs Straus Dean & Walker LLP  
Portland, Oregon**Honorable Teresa Pouley**Tulalip Nation  
Bellingham, Washington**Honorable Mark Pouley**Chief Judge of the Swinomish Tribe  
La Connor, Washington**Breakout C: Salon D (Theater)*****"Holly" Clips and Conversation - second showing***

Clips from Holly, a film about exploitation and trafficking of women and children, will be the conversation topic. Michele Vivona, Senior Vice President, LexisNexis® Global Web Strategy will introduce the film producer, Guy Jacobson, a New York lawyer and investment banker, who has spent six years working to raise global awareness. Jenner & Block lawyer, Martina E. Vandenberg, will address the issue of trafficking in the United States and efforts to provide legal remedies for survivors.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2008**

5:30 pm - 8:30 pm **Special Event at the Oregon Health Sciences University Center for Health and Healing, Including Aerial Tram Rides, Supper, and Music.** *Transportation to OHSU: Blue Star Charter departs from Marriott (Clay Street), beginning at 5:30 p.m. Continuous shuttle service between Marriott/OHSU. Last bus from OHSU to Marriott leaves at 9:00 p.m.*

9:00 pm - 11:00 pm Hospitality Suite

**Columbia Room**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2008**

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7:30 am - 8:30 am CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST - DISTRICT MEETINGS

**Ballroom Foyer**

8:45 am - 10:15 am Breakout A and B

**Breakout A: Salon D**

***Keeping the Promise to Victims – The Emerging Role of Victims in Criminal Cases***

*Moderator:*

**Summer R. Gleason**

Assistant Attorney General, Oregon  
Department of Justice, Salem, Oregon

*Panelists:*

**Douglas E. Beloof**

Professor of Law, Lewis & Clark Law School  
Executive Director, National Crime Victim Law Institute  
Portland, Oregon

**Honorable Eric Bloch**

Multnomah County Circuit Court, Portland, Oregon

**Ann Christian**

Oregon Criminal Defense Lawyers Association  
Substantive Legislative Representative

**Hardy Myers**

Oregon Attorney General, Salem, Oregon

**Breakout B: Salons A, B and C**

***Techniques for Judges and Lawyers to Handle Self-Represented Litigants***

*Moderator:*

**Honorable Adrienne Nelson**

Multnomah County Circuit Court, Portland, Oregon

*Panelists:*

**Honorable Anna J. Brown**

U.S. District Court for the District of Oregon

**Honorable Maureen H. McKnight**

Multnomah County Circuit Court, Portland, Oregon

**Honorable Laurie D. Zelon**

California Court of Appeals

**Richard Zorza**

Consultant, Zorza Associates  
Washington, D.C.

10:15 am - 10:30 am Break

10:30 am - Noon Breakout A and B

**Breakout A: Salon D**

***Advances in Reproductive Genetic Technology & 21st Century Judicial Challenges***

*Moderator:*

**Honorable Marilyn E. Litzengerger**

Multnomah County Circuit Court, Portland, Oregon

*Panelists:*

**Honorable Micki I. Aronson**

Administrative Appeals Judge  
Washington, D.C.

**Dean Annette E. Clark, M.D., J.D.**

Vice Dean and Associate Professor,  
Seattle University School of Law

**Sandra L. Hodgson**

Bouneff & Chally  
Portland, Oregon

**Breakout B: Salons A, B and C**

***How to Prepare for and Effectively Respond to Attacks on Judicial Independence***

*Moderator:*

**Honorable Claudia M. Burton**

Marion County Circuit Court, Salem, Oregon

*Panelists:*

**Rachel Caufield, Ph.D.**

Assistant Professor of Politics and International Relations,  
Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa

**Honorable Carol W. Hunstein**

Supreme Court of Georgia

**Honorable Mary Mertens James**

Marion County Circuit Court, Salem, Oregon

**Honorable Richard B. Teitelman**

Missouri Supreme Court

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## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2008

JOINT AFTERNOON LUNCHEON, PROGRAM AND RECEPTION  
WITH OREGON WOMEN LAWYERS (OWLS)

Salons E &amp; F

Noon - 1:45 pm

**NAWJ FRIENDS LUNCHEON: HONORING OUR CONFERENCE SPONSORS**

*Keynote Speaker:* **Linda Greenhouse**, Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter who covered the United States Supreme Court for three decades for *The New York Times* and will join Yale Law School in 2009 as the Knight Distinguished Journalist in Residence and Joseph M. Goldstein Senior Fellow.

Introduction by **Honorable Susan P. Graber**, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

1:45 pm - 2:00 pm

Break

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

**The Roberts Court - Continuing to Evolve:****Professor Pamela S. Karlan,**

Kenneth and Harle Montgomery Professor of Public Interest Law, Stanford Law School

Introduction by **Honorable Julie F. Frantz**, Multnomah County Circuit Court, Portland, Oregon*Commentary:* **Linda Greenhouse**

Salons E &amp; F

3:30 pm - 3:45 pm

Break

3:45 pm - 5:15 pm

Breakout A and B

**Breakout A: Salons G, H & I****Bringing about Needed Changes in Law Firms***Moderator:***Honorable Fernande R.V. Duffly**

Massachusetts Appeals Court

*Panelists:***Honorable Nancy Gertner**

U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts

**Lauren Stiller Rikleen**Executive Director, Bowditch Institute for Women's Success  
Framingham, Massachusetts**Patricia K. Gillette**Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP  
San Francisco, California**Honorable Darleen Ortega**

Oregon Court of Appeals

**Breakout B: Salons A, B & C****Resolving Disputes Out of Court – the Growing Role of Mediation***Moderator:***Honorable Mary J. Deits**

Former Chief Judge, Oregon Court of Appeals

*Panelists:***Jeffrey M. Batchelor**Markowitz, Herbold, Glade & Mehlhaf, P.C.  
Portland, Oregon**Honorable Susan M. Leeson**Former Justice, Oregon Supreme Court  
Mediation Plus  
Salem, Oregon**Honorable Janice M. Stewart**Magistrate Judge, U.S. District Court for the  
District of Oregon

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

**Reception at Mark O. Hatfield U.S. Courthouse hosted by local federal judges**

*Walking maps to the US Courthouse will be provided; bus transportation available; details will be provided to attendees at lunch.*

Dinner on your own

8:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Hospitality Suite

Columbia Room



**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2008**

Please note that the Hospitality suite will be open throughout the conference days, beginning each morning and in the evenings after major events until 11 pm.

7:00 am - 8:00 am Continental Breakfast - Committee Meetings

**Ballroom Foyer**

8:00 am - 9:30 am Breakout A and B

**Breakout A: Salon A & B**

**Zero to Three – Using the Science of Early Childhood Development in Court**

*Moderator:*

**Honorable Pamela L. Abernethy**

Marion County Circuit Court, Salem, Oregon

*Panelists:*

**Karen Imagawa, M.D.**

Director of Audrey Hepburn CARES Team,  
Children's Hospital  
Los Angeles, California

**Honorable Cindy Shellenberger Lederman**

Miami-Dade Circuit Court  
Miami, Florida

**Breakout B: Salons E & F**

**Law, Science, and the Environment**

*Moderator:*

**Gail Achterman**

Institute for Natural Resources  
Oregon State University  
Corvallis, Oregon

*Panelists:*

**Dr. Deborah Brosnan**

Founder and Honorary President,  
The Sustainable Ecosystems Institute

**Linda Goodman**

Retired Regional Forester  
U.S. Forest Service, Region 6

8:45 am - 11:15 am NAWJ RESOURCE BOARD MEETING

Members of the Resource Board are invited to the "Law Firm Best Practices" Roundtable Discussion beginning at 9:45.

**Salons C & D**

9:30 am - 9:45 am Break

9:45 am - 11:15 am Breakout A, B and C

**Breakout A: Salon A & B**

**Technology and the Court System**

*Moderator:*

**Tracey A. Cordes**

Deputy Trial Court Administrator,  
Multnomah County, Oregon

*Panelists:*

**Honorable Trish M. Brown**

U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the  
District of Oregon

**Victoria S. Cashman**

Consultant, LexisNexis®  
Middletown, Ohio

**Honorable Virginia L. Linder**

Oregon Supreme Court

**Breakout B: Salon E**

**Hague Convention on International Child Abduction**

*Moderator:*

**Honorable Cathy H. Serrette**

Circuit Court for Prince George's  
County, Upper Marlboro, Maryland

*Panelists:*

**Brendan Donckers**

Gendler & Mann  
Seattle, Washington

**Honorable Barbara Madsen**

Washington Supreme Court

**Honorable Mary Sheffield**

25th Judicial Circuit,  
Waynesville, Missouri

**Merle H. Weiner**

Professor of Law, University of  
Oregon Law School  
Eugene, Oregon

**Breakout C: Mount Hood**

**Room (2nd Floor)**

**"Law Firm Best Practices" Roundtable Discussion** co-sponsored by OWLS and Multnomah Bar Association

Follow-up from Friday's panel discussion "Bringing About Needed Changes in Law Firms"

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**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2008**

- 11:30 am - 1:30 pm **Business Meeting, Investiture of Officers and Luncheon** **Salons F – I**
- 1:30 pm - 6:00 pm Free afternoon for courthouse tours, shopping, and sightseeing
- 1:45 pm - 3:15 pm **TOUR OF HISTORIC PIONEER COURTHOUSE** (hosted by Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Judges)  
The beautifully restored Pioneer Courthouse, a National Historic Landmark, is the oldest standing Federal Building in the Pacific Northwest and the second oldest standing Federal Building West of the Mississippi. The building is one of the four primary locations where the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit hears oral argument. *Transportation to historic Pioneer Courthouse (Saturday): Blue Star Charter departs from Marriott (Clay Street), beginning at 1:30 p.m. Continuous shuttle service between Marriott/Pioneer Courthouse. For those who are remaining in the downtown area for shopping and sightseeing after the tour, the last bus from Pioneer Courthouse back to the Marriott leaves at 5:15 p.m.*
- 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm Reception **Ballroom Foyer**
- 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm **NAWJ Annual Awards Banquet** **Salons A – E**  
*Keynote Speaker: Ann Rule, True Crime Author*  
Please bring a book or two to this dinner to donate to the Coffee Creek Women's Correctional Institution library.  
Introduction by **Honorable Susan Owens**, Washington Supreme Court
- 10:00 pm - 11:00 pm Hospitality Suite **Columbia Room**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2008**

*Please note that the Hospitality suite will be open this morning until 11 am.*

- 7:00 am - 9:30 am Farewell Breakfast **Salon E**
- 8:30 am NAWJ New Board Meeting **Mount Hood Room (2nd Floor)**
- Afternoon: Optional wine country harvest tours and other sightseeing opportunities (see conference website for information)

# P RESENTERS

## DONZALEIGH ABERNATHY **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**



Donzaleigh Abernathy began her life in the midst of the Civil Rights Movement as the youngest daughter of its co founder, Reverend Ralph David Abernathy and his wife, Juanita. Raised in the public forefront of the Civil Rights Movement, Donzaleigh attended all of the major marches and had a bird's eye view growing up in her parent's home which was the gathering place for her father and his best friend, Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In honor of her father, Donzaleigh authored the history book, *"Partners To History, Martin Luther King, Ralph David Abernathy and the Civil Rights Movement,"* published by Randomhouse/Crown. The coffee table pictorial of American History was nominated as one of the "Best Books of 2004" for Young Adults by the American Library Association. Atty. Robert F. Kennedy Jr. wrote the Foreword.

For four years Donzaleigh starred as an Actress on Lifetime Television's critically acclaimed dramatic series, "ANY DAY NOW." She received critical acclaim for her performance from film critic Roger Ebert as "Martha," the slave in the Warner Bros. Civil War motion picture epic, "GODS AND GENERALS." She has also starred in the Lionsgate comedy, "LEPRECHAN 6 - BACK TO THE HOOD," in New Line Cinema's, "GRILLED," as the leading lady in HBO's Award Winning "Don King: Only in America," also in HBO's Award Winning "Miss Evers Boys," in the NBC Productions of Shakespeare's "The Tempest," opposite Peter Fonda and in "Murder in Mississippi" which won the Director Guild of America Award for director Roger Young.

Most recently she has Guest Starred on "CSI Las Vegas," "Lincoln Heights," "House," "Commander in Chief," (Six episodes), "The Closer," "Judging Amy" and "24."

Donzaleigh is actively involved with the New Visions Foundation, where she is a founding member and has served as a former Vice President of the Board of Trustees for New Roads Schools, one of the many schools created by New Visions in the Los Angeles area.

## HONORABLE PAMELA L. ABERNETHY

The great-granddaughter of pioneer Scots immigrants to Spokane, Washington, Judge Abernethy was born and raised in San Francisco, California. She graduated *cum laude* from the University of California at Santa Cruz and *cum laude* from Willamette University College of Law.

She has been a trial court judge since 1993 and, since November, 2001 she has volunteered to be the full-time juvenile court judge in Marion County where she hears abuse, neglect and delinquency cases exclusively. She also oversees three drug courts for kids and families. One is called "Fostering Attachment" focusing on the needs of infant and toddler wards of the court, a second is called "TOT" for pregnant moms trying to get off meth, and a third is "STAR court" for juvenile delinquents. In 2000 she created "Project BOND: Building Our capacity for Nurturing and Development," which was designed to promote secure attachment and prevent child abuse. Today she heads up "Great Beginnings: Building the Foundation for Learning" a community-wide initiative to improve outcomes for infants and toddlers.

Judge Abernethy is a currently a ZERO TO THREE Leader for the 21st Century Fellow and also serves on the Permanency Planning Advisory Committee for the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges.

Judge Abernethy is a past Chair of the International board of Amigos de Las Americas, a nationwide youth leadership program promoting sustainable development in Latin America. Locally she serves on the board of Family Building Blocks (Salem's relief nursery) and is Vice Chair of the Marion County Commission on Children and Families. She is a past President of the Willamette Valley Inn of Court and of the Pentacle Theatre, where she is an actress and director.

## GAIL ACHTERMAN

Gail Achterman is Director, Institute for Natural Resources, Oregon State University, and Special Advisor to the Vice President for Research, Oregon State University, and Chair, Oregon Transportation Commission.

Before joining the Institute for Natural Resources, Gail served as Executive Director of the Deschutes Resources Conservancy, a non-profit organization dedicated to watershed restoration. She practiced law for 18 years with Stael Rives, LLP, and served as Governor Neil Goldschmidt's Assistant for Natural Resources. She is a leading state and national natural resource and environmental expert with policy making experience at the state, local and federal level enabling her to work across and within multiple interests and disciplines. Gail has served on the Oregon Transportation Commission since 2000 and became chair in December 2007. She also is a member of the advisory board of the Klamath Basin Rangeland Trust and serves on the Board of Directors of the Oregon Wave Energy Trust.

Gail holds a master's degree in Natural Resources Policy and Management, along with a JD from the University of Michigan, and a BA in Economics from Stanford University.

## SHERRY LEE ALEXANDER, PH.D.

Dr. Sherry Lee Alexander is an award-winning journalist who has worked in print, radio, and television, specializes in press coverage of courts.

Currently serving on the faculty of Loyola's School of Mass Communication, she earned a PhD in Communications (Law School outside area) at the University of Florida where she was awarded freedom of information fellowships as well as the student research award before moving to Loyola New Orleans in 1991.

At Loyola University, Dr. Alexander has taught more than a dozen courses. Organizations in which she has been active include the Society of Professional Journalists (past campus advisor, currently Louisiana Fol "Sunshine" Chair); the Press Club of New Orleans (past president, currently historian); and the Louisiana Coalition on Open Government, LaCOG (founder, currently vice president).

Dr. Alexander has written extensively on free press/fair trial concerns, including the acclaimed text *Covering the Courts: A Handbook for Journalists*, rev 2003. She won the faculty research award in 2005.

In addition to her scholarly work, Alexander continues to work as a journalist, including serving as a host of "Writer's Forum," a weekly author-interview program on WRBH-FM. A popular speaker, workshop leader and consultant, she is working on a collection of true, live tales of New Orleans courtrooms.

## HONORABLE ROBERT H. ALSDORF

Judge Alsdorf began his legal career in 1973 in the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice and followed that by working as a trial lawyer in antitrust and complex commercial litigation. In 1990, he became a general jurisdiction trial court judge for the State of Washington. During his time on the bench, he served a term as Chief Civil Judge and also took various leadership positions locally and nationally relating to the handling of complex and high profile litigation, including working with the Mass Tort Litigation Committee of the National Center for State Courts.

In the past fifteen years, he has worked nationally and internationally in various judicial and legal education programs, traveling to locations as disparate as Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, Nicaragua, Sierra Leone and Uganda. A 1973 graduate of Yale Law School and the Yale Hall of Graduate Studies, he is the author of "The Sound of Silence: Thoughts of a Sitting Judge on the Problem of Free Speech and the Judiciary in a Democracy," *Hastings Constitutional Law Quarterly*, Vol. 30, No. 2 (August, 2003) and "Judicial Independence and Judicial Accountability: An Elected Judge's Perspective," published by the Commonwealth Lawyers Association in 2003 in a volume entitled *Judges and Judicial Accountability*.

While a judge, he received four Judge of the Year awards from attorneys' groups. He retired from the bench in 2005, and since that time has focused on arbitration, mediation, litigation, and appeal of complex cases and has been listed in "Best Lawyers in America" in both Alternative Dispute Resolution and Appellate Law. He currently holds the position of Distinguished Jurist in Residence at Seattle University School of Law and is principal of Alsdorf Dispute Resolution.

## HONORABLE MICKI ARONSON

Judge Micki I. Aronson was appointed to the Appeals Council as an Administrative Appeals Judge in January, 2006 and adjudicates disability appeals from the 2nd and 11th judicial circuits. Judge Aronson has also served as the Regional Attorney in Chicago; as a Congressional Fellow to United States Senator Patty Murray; and Appeals Officer to the Executive Director of Appellate Operations in Falls Church, Virginia.

Judge Aronson is the former Chair of the Chicago Bar Association's Continuing Legal Education Committee and a member of the Illinois bar.

## LISA L. ATKINSON

Lisa L. Atkinson (Northern Cherokee/Osage) is a graduate of Oregon State University (BA cum laude in Political Science with Spanish Minor and BA cum laude in International Studies with French emphasis) and of the University of Washington School of Law. After graduation, Ms. Atkinson worked in Washington D.C. for the National Indian Gaming Commission. She then returned to the Northwest and worked for a multi-national law firm prior to starting her own private practice. Ms. Atkinson primarily represents Indian Tribes and Tribal entities, as well as serving as Chief Judge for the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe and as a judge pro tempore and appellate justice in several other Tribal courts. Ms. Atkinson has also served as a public defender, prosecutor, and presenting officer (for dependency cases) in Tribal courts. Ms. Atkinson sits on the board of the Northwest Tribal Court Judges' Association and is the current President of the Board of Directors for the Northwest Justice Project. Ms. Atkinson practices out of her office in beautiful Edmonds, Washington.

## HONORABLE ROSEMARY BARKETT

Judge Rosemary Barkett sits on the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals. Prior to her appointment to the Eleventh Circuit in 1994, she was the first woman Justice on the Florida Supreme Court, sitting as an Associate Justice from 1985 until 1992, when she was chosen by her colleagues to become the state's first woman Chief Justice of that court. Judge Barkett has also served in numerous other capacities in Florida State Courts, including as the Chief Judge of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida and as an Appellate Judge on the Fourth District Court of Appeal of the State of Florida.

Prior to her elevation to the bench, Rosemary Barkett was in private practice from 1971 until 1979 in West Palm Beach, Florida.

## JEFF BATCHELOR

Jeff Batchelor practices in the state and federal appellate courts, and as a mediator and arbitrator of civil disputes. As an appellate specialist, Jeff regularly represents clients in commercial, employment, and personal injury litigation. Having briefed and argued more than 200 appellate cases, his broad experience includes work in antitrust, civil RICO, lender liability, civil rights, and patent infringement. Drawing on this background and his experience as a pro tem circuit judge, Jeff has worked as a mediator since 1995 and as an arbitrator since 1989. He has served as a special master in federal court and as a discovery referee in state court. Jeff is listed in Oregon Super Lawyers for Alternative Dispute Resolution and in The Best Lawyers in America for Alternative Dispute Resolution, Appellate Law, Commercial Litigation, and Personal Injury Litigation.

## DOUGLAS E. BELOOF

Douglas Beloof is Professor of Law at Lewis & Clark Law School, and the founder & former Director of the National Crime Victim Law Institute. He teaches criminal law subjects and his focus is crime victim law. He alone authored the first edition of the first casebook for law students on crime victim law entitled: *Victims in Criminal Procedure*. That first edition won an award for research and writing in victimology from NOVA. In the Second Edition he was joined by Judge Paul Cassell and victim lawyer Steve Twist. Professor Beloof has published numerous scholarly articles on crime victim law and has been invited to speak at many academic and professional events. The United States Judiciary Committee has called him a "leading expert" in victim law. He has testified on numerous occasions before Congress. Internationally, his expertise is sought for victim law reform initiatives in other countries. He argues victim law issues before appellate courts and, on occasion, has been asked to argue on behalf of state attorneys general.

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The National Crime Victim Law Institute, which Professor Beloof founded, is the only national organization of its kind in the country. The Institute was formed to fulfill the mission of actively promoting balance and fairness in the justice system through crime victim centered legal advocacy, education, and resource sharing. The Institute promotes crime victim rights; conducts, supports, and promotes impact litigation; educates lawyers, judges, law students, victims, advocates, law enforcement and the public; and reforms law through model laws and lobbying.

In Oregon he chaired the Oregon Attorney General's Committee on Victims' Rights Compliance. Oregon Business Magazine named him one of 50 Oregon Leaders and one of 10 Oregon Pioneers. He consulted in drafting an amendment to the Oregon constitution to provide crime victims standing to enforce their rights. Nationally, among the initiatives of the Institute is the formation of pro bono legal clinics for victims of crime. For his work on this initiative, Professor Beloof was presented an award from the United States Attorney General for Professional Innovation in Victim Services. He consulted with Congress in the language of the Crime Victims Rights act of 2004, the most significant federal victims' rights legislation. Recently, he worked closely with the Oregon Attorney General to establish standing for victims' rights enforcement in Oregon.

Professor Beloof's previous professional experiences include public prosecution in cases ranging from drunk driving to sexual assault and homicide. He was a civil litigator, both plaintiff and defense. He was Director of the Victims Assistance Program of the Multnomah County District Attorneys Office (the county comprising Portland, Oregon).

## HONORABLE ERIC BLOCH

Since January 1, 2003, Judge Bloch has served as a judge on the Multnomah County Circuit Court. Judge Bloch presides over both civil and criminal cases and trials, and for the last four years has been the Supervising Judge for the DUII Intensive Supervision Program (DISP), a large (approximately 700 defendant) treatment court in Multnomah County focusing on high risk DUII offenders.

Judge Bloch graduated from Cornell University with a degree in industrial and labor relations and received his law degree from the University of Oregon School of Law. His first job after graduating law school was in private practice in Portland, specializing in medical malpractice. He then left to serve as an Assistant Attorney General in the Special Litigation Unit of the Oregon Department of Justice. There, he worked as part of a small team of lawyers on complex cases involving such issues as free speech, property rights, elections, Indian treaties and the environment. Immediately prior to taking the bench, Judge Bloch served as one of Oregon's two representatives to the Northwest Power Planning Council, a four-state compact agency created under the federal NW Power Act to oversee fish and wildlife and energy conservation and development in the Columbia River Basin.

## DR. DEBORAH BROSNAN

Dr. Deborah Brosnan is President of Sustainable Ecosystems Institute—an organization of over 1,000 affiliated scientists who work on the interface of science and policy. She received her BS from the National University of Ireland, Galway and her Ph.D in marine science from Oregon State University. As a marine scientist she has worked throughout the USA and around the world notably in SE Asia after the tsunami, and in the Gulf states after Katrina. In her science-policy work she has chaired several blue ribbon committees including on Everglades Restoration, the Missouri River and others. She has published widely on the Endangered Species Act, and the integration of science-policy and is currently developing "Ecosynthesis" an effort to integrate law and science along with attorney and professor Daniel Rohlf. She is a visiting scholar at Stanford University, and a lecturer "science and law" at NW School of Law. Dr Brosnan also serves on several Boards of Directors including UC Davis Wildlife Health Center Program, OHSU CMOP, Project AWARE Foundation and others.

## HONORABLE ANNA JAEGER BROWN

Judge Anna Jaeger Brown was appointed United States District Judge for the District of Oregon by President William Jefferson Clinton, and confirmed by the United States Senate October 15, 1999. Judge Brown obtained her B.S. in Administration of Justice at Portland State University in 1975, and her J.D. from Northwestern School of Law of Lewis and Clark College in 1980. While attending night law school, she served as law clerk to Hon. John C. Beatty, Jr., Circuit

Judge, on the Multnomah County Circuit Court. Judge Brown was admitted to the Oregon State Bar in 1980 and engaged in private practice a civil trial lawyer with the Portland, OR office of Bullivant Houser Bailey where she was one of the first women admitted to partnership. Oregon Governor Barbara Roberts appointed Judge Brown to a vacancy on the then-existing District Court in Multnomah County in 1992. In 1996, Governor Roberts appointed her to the Multnomah County Circuit Court, where she tried numerous complex criminal and civil jury cases, including the first product liability action against a tobacco company in Oregon. Judge Brown has been active in community and legal affairs throughout her career; is a frequent continuing education speaker on evidence and trial practice, and currently chairs the Ninth Circuit Jury Instructions Committee. In 2000, Judge Brown's law school alma mater recognized her as its Distinguished Graduate, and, in 2003, she received the Woman of Career Achievement Award from St. Mary's Academy, where she attended high school in Portland. Judge Brown is the first American-born citizen in her family of German immigrants and a lifelong Oregon resident.

## HONORABLE TRISH M. BROWN

Judge Trish M. Brown is on the bench of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Oregon, appointed by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in December, 1999.

Judge Brown received her BS degree in Economics from Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, and earned her JD, cum laude, at Washington and Lee University in 1981. She was admitted to practice in Virginia (1981), Oregon (1982), and Washington (1986).

While in private practice Judge Brown focused on 1) bankruptcy and corporate reorganization, representing primarily creditors in all types of bankruptcies, defending preference and other avoidance actions and pursuing nondischargeable debts to creditors; 2) loan workouts and foreclosures; 3) real estate transactions; and 4) acting as a mediator and arbitrator in all aspects of debtor-creditor, real estate, and contract disputes.

## HONORABLE CLAUDIA M. BURTON

Judge Claudia Burton graduated with a BA from Princeton University in 1982; and JD Boalt Hall School of Law (University of California at Berkeley) in 1985. She was admitted to the California (1985), Oregon (1989) and Washington (1994) state bars. She has been a Marion County Circuit Judge Pro Tem 2000-2003 and is currently a Marion County Circuit Court Judge (2004-present).

## VICTORIA S. CASHMAN

Victoria Cashman has a consulting practice on the innovative use of technology in courts. Vicky held executive positions at LexisNexis®, formerly Mead Data Central, from 1983 to 1998. She specialized in electronic information access and linkages between courts, law firms and related constituents. From 1975 to 1983, Vicky was with the National Center for State Courts. She held several staff positions including Director of the nationwide project on the Implementation of the ABA Standards of Judicial Administration. Her articles have appeared in *State Court Journal* and *Judges Journal* and she served as Editor of the ABA's *State Court Organization Profile Series*.

Vicky was the founding Co-Chair of the Forum on the Advancement of Court Technology (FACT) which is currently observing its twentieth anniversary. She is a member of the Resource Board of the National Association of Women Judges and she received the NAWJ's Distinguished Service Award in 1996. She is on the Board of Directors of the Justice Management Institute in Denver, Colorado and the Council for Court Excellence in Washington, D.C. She chaired the Technology Committee of the ABA Judicial Division in 1996-1997. In 1995 she received a USAID appointment to the Ministry of Justice of Latvia to advise on access to the law. Vicky is a graduate of the Ohio University and has a Master's Degree from St. Louis University.

Vicky is President of Cashman and Associates, LLC, a technology and marketing consulting firm with a national focus. She and her husband reside in Middletown, Ohio. They have three grown children and three grandchildren.

## RACHEL PAINE CAUFIELD, Ph. D.

Rachel Paine Caufield is a Professor in the Department of Politics and International Relations at Drake University in Des Moines, IA. She also currently serves as a Research Fellow with the American Judicature Society's Elmo B. Hunter Citizens Center for Judicial Selection. Since joining the staff of the American Judicature Society in the fall of 2003, she has focused attention on a wide range of issues surrounding current judicial selection practices in the states, including the impact of *Republican Party of Minnesota v. White* on state codes of judicial conduct, the makeup of judicial nominating commissions and the procedures that nominating commissions use, and the changing nature of judicial election campaigns. Her work has been published in the *Fordham Urban Law Journal*, the *Akron Law Review*, the ABA's *Judges Journal*, *Polity*, and an edited volume entitled *Running for Judge: The Rising Political, Financial, and Legal Stakes of Judicial Elections* (NYU Press 2007). Dr. Caufield received her Ph.D. in Political Science from The George Washington University in Washington, D.C. and a B.A. in Political Science and Mathematics from Hood College in Frederick, MD. In 2000-2001, she spent a year as a visiting Research Fellow at The Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C. Her primary field of study is American Government, with special attention to American political institutions, judicial politics, legislative politics, and inter-branch relationships in the American separation of powers context.

## HONORABLE JUDITH C. CHIRLIN

Judge Judith C. Chirlin was appointed to the Los Angeles Superior Court in 1985. She is a graduate of The George Washington University (BA in Political Science), Rutgers University (MA in Politics from the Eagleton Institute of Politics) and the USC Law School (JD).

Over the years, Judge Chirlin has been involved in numerous efforts to improve the legal system and the administration of justice in California, throughout the nation and around the world. In 1984 she designed and through the present, has participated in seminars called "So You Want to be a Judge" for women's, minority and other bar associations throughout the state. Those seminars have been widely recognized as having demystified the process of judicial appointments in California and having resulted in significantly increased diversity in judicial appointments throughout the state. Judge Chirlin has also been called upon to consult on judicial selection in other states, discuss judicial selection on panels at national meetings and testify before the United States Senate Judiciary Committee on the subject of diversity in judicial appointments. She is presently serving as Chair of the Advisory Board of the American Bar Association's Central European and Eurasian Law Initiative ("CEELI") and Middle East and North Africa Initiative ("MENA.") She is also a member of the International Advisory Board of the CEELI Institute in Prague, the Czech Republic.

Judge Chirlin has traveled extensively, consulting on court reform and teaching programs for foreign judges, lawyers, police officers and other legal professionals.

Judge Chirlin sits in the Stanley Mosk Courthouse in downtown Los Angeles, where she presides over civil matters.

## ANN CHRISTIAN

Ann Christian represents the Oregon Criminal Defense Lawyers Association on substantive issues in the legislature. She served as Oregon's Indigent Defense Services Director and the Judicial Department's Criminal Law Analyst for 15 years. During the 1980s, Ann was a public defender and the assistant director of Multnomah Defenders, Inc. in Portland. Ann is a graduate of the University of Iowa.

## ANNETTE E. CLARK, M.D., J.D.

Annette Clark is Vice Dean and Associate Professor of Law at Seattle University School of Law, where she teaches courses in medical liability, bioethics and the law, and civil procedure. She earned her B.S. *summa cum laude* from Washington State University, an M.D. with Honors from the University of Washington School of Medicine, and a J.D. *summa cum laude* (first in class) from the University of Puget Sound (now Seattle University) School of Law. Dean Clark writes and consults in the areas of medical liability and bioethics and is a frequent national and local lecturer on bioethics-related topics. Her scholarship operates at the interface of health care, law, and health policy, with a particular emphasis on end-of-life issues. She has published articles in the *New York University Law Review*, the *Georgetown Law Journal*, and the *Tulane Law Review*, among others.



In her administrative role, Dean Clark is the chief academic officer for the School of Law. She oversees the entire academic program, including the curriculum and centers and institutes, as well as the faculty. She received the Seattle Journal for Social Justice Faculty Award in 2005, the Dean's Medal in 2006, and the Outstanding Faculty Award in December 2007. President Stephen V. Sundborg, S.J., recently named Dean Clark the 2008-09 James B. McGoldrick, S.J., Fellow, which is awarded to the faculty member or administrator who best exemplifies commitment to students and to the values of a Jesuit education. She is a member of the Washington State Society of Healthcare Attorneys, the MultiCare Institutional Review Board, and the Safe Crossings Foundation Board.

## HONORABLE RITA BATZ COBB

Judge Rita Batz Cobb is a State of Oregon, Washington County Circuit Court Judge. She specializes in probate estates, trusts, guardianship and conservatorships.

Judge Cobb graduated with a B.A. from Purdue University in 1976 and with a J.D. from Northwestern School of Law at Lewis and Clark College in 1980. She has held various offices and memberships which include: Oregon State Bar, Estate Planning Section, past chair, Oregon Uniform Trust Code drafting committee, member, Oregon Legislative drafting Committee on Guardianship and Conservatorship, member, Co-chair of Chief Justice Taskforce on Protective Proceedings.

Judge Cobb is a frequent speaker and author for Oregon State Bar, Oregon Law Institute and Washington County Bar Association.

## TRACEY CORDES

Tracey Cordes has served as the Deputy Court Administrator for Multnomah County Circuit Court since April 2007 where she focuses on criminal and family law operations. She returned to Multnomah County in 2007 after spending five years as the Trial Court Administrator for Benton County Circuit Court in Corvallis, Oregon. Tracey jumped into the court administration world after practicing law for 12 years, first as a trial lawyer with the Metropolitan Public Defenders Office in Portland, Oregon, then as a policy analyst with the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission in Salem, Oregon, then as an associate with a small law firm, and then as the County Counsel for Coos County, Oregon. Tracey received her bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and a few years later attended law school at night at Lewis & Clark Law School in Portland while working at law-related jobs full-time during the day.

## GWEN DAYTON

Gwen Dayton currently serves as Executive Vice President and General Counsel for the Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems. Gwen is responsible for analyzing state and federal health care regulations, including HIPAA, Joint Commission and other legal and policy issues, serves on the association's legislative team and oversees the OAHHS education programs. She also oversees the association's quality, rural and member services programs. Prior to joining OAHHS, she served as Director of Regulatory Affairs and Legal Counsel for the Oregon Health Care Association, and Deputy Legislative Counsel for health care for the Oregon Legislative Assembly. Before entering the healthcare field, Gwen was a Deputy District Attorney for Multnomah County, Oregon.

Gwen graduated with a B.A. from Pomona College and a J.D. from the University of Oregon School of Law. She is president of the Health Law Section of the Oregon State Bar and past-president of the Oregon Health Lawyers Association.

## HONORABLE PAUL J. DE MUNIZ

Chief Justice Paul J. De Muniz began his career as a deputy public defender and entered private law practice in 1977 as attorney and partner at Garrett Seideman Hemann Robertson & De Muniz in Salem. In 1990 he was appointed to the Oregon Court of Appeals. He was elected to the Oregon Supreme Court in 2001 and elected the court's 41st chief justice in January 2006.

Throughout his distinguished career, De Muniz has championed issues related to access to justice, fundamental fairness in courts, and enforcement of the rule of law in this country and around the world. He gained national recognition for his successful pro bono representation of a migrant worker wrongfully convicted of murder. That case publicized how linguistic and cultural differences can unfairly penalize immigrants in the American Justice System and led to significant state and national legal reform. In 2008, De Muniz was elected to the Board of Directors of the Conference of Chief Justices and was recently selected as one of eight chief justices to attend a three-year Harvard University Executive Session studying the role of state court leaders.

De Muniz was raised in Portland and attended Portland public schools. After high school he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and served in Vietnam (1968-1969). He earned his BS from Portland State University in 1972 and his JD from Willamette University in 1975. He has served on Willamette University College of Law's Board of Visitors since 1995, Willamette's Board of Trustees since 2006, and has taught "Oregon Criminal Procedure and Practice" at Willamette since 2004. De Muniz and his wife, Mary, reside in Salem and have three grown children.

## HONORABLE MARY J. DEITS

Judge Mary J. Deits, graduated with a B.A. from Oregon State University in 1971, and a J.D. from Willamette University College of Law in 1974. She was Assistant Attorney General from 1974-1986 and was appointed to the Oregon Court of Appeals in 1986; she was appointed Chief Judge in 1997. She served as President for the National Council of Chief Judges from 2002-2003. Since 2004 to present, she has been a Senior Judge, Oregon Court of Appeals and Mediator and Arbitrator for the United States Arbitration and Mediation, Arbitration Service of Portland.

## HONORABLE BERNICE DONALD

Judge Bernice B. Donald has served as Judge of U.S. District Court for the Western District of Tennessee since January 1996. She previously served as Judge of U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Tennessee and General Sessions Criminal Court. She received her law degree from the University of Memphis School of Law where she has served as an adjunct faculty member. She also serves as faculty for the Federal Judicial Center and the National Judicial College. Judge Donald was a member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Judicial Center from 2003 to 2007. In 1996, Chief Justice Rehnquist appointed Judge Donald to the Judicial Conference Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules for two three-year terms. She is extremely active in the American, Tennessee, and Memphis Bar Associations, serving in vital leadership roles in key committees. In 2007, she was elected to the position of Secretary-Elect of the American Bar Association, where she is the first woman of color to serve as an Officer of the 400,000 member body in its 130-year history. As an Officer, she serves as a member of the Board of Governors and the House of Delegates of the ABA. She also serves on the Board of Editors of the American Bar Association Journal and in the leadership of the Council of the Litigation Section.

*Judge Donald has lectured and written extensively on various legal topics, including, "Fraud Imputation Under Section 523(a)(2)(A): Is A Partner Liable for Wrongdoing by the Partnership," 24 Memphis State University Law Review 651 (Summer 1994); "The Dischargeability of Property Settlement Hold Harmless Agreements in Bankruptcy: An Overview of Section 523(a)(15)," 31 Family Law Quarterly 409 (Fall 1997); and "A Comparative Justice Project - United States, German and China Trial Demonstration," Judges Journal (Fall 2001).*

Judge Donald has served as President of the National Association of Women Judges and the Association of Women Attorneys. She has chaired the Memphis Diversity Institute and the Commission on Opportunities for Minorities in the legal profession.

Judge Donald has been the recipient of over 100 awards for professional, civic, and community activities, including the Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Memphis.

## BRENDAN W. DONCKERS

Brendan W. Donckers is an associate attorney with Gendler & Mann in Seattle. He has worked as a staff attorney with the Washington Supreme Court's Office of the Commissioner and provided counsel on environmental issues to the Washington House Democratic Caucus. Prior to attending law school, Brendan worked with the United Nations Foundation in Washington, D.C. and for U.S. Congressman, Jim McDermott. He serves on the boards of the King County Conservation Voters, Friends of Seattle, and the Renton/Skyway Boys and Girls Club. Brendan was the valedictorian of Santa Clara University and graduated *cum laude* from Seattle University's School of Law.

## HONORABLE FERNANDE R. V. DUFFLY

*2007-08 President of the National Association of Women Judges*

Justice Fernande R.V. Duffly was appointed to the Massachusetts Appeals Court in February, 2000; From April 1992 to February 2000, Justice Duffly served as Associate Justice of the Probate & Family Court. After earning a J.D. from Harvard Law School in 1978, Justice Duffly joined the litigation department of the Boston law firm then known as Warner and Stackpole.

A former member of the executive board of Greater Boston Legal Services and the Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights, Justice Duffly provided pro bono legal services to indigent clients through the Volunteer Lawyers Project. She has written articles and taught seminars in the areas of appellate decision-making, family law, trusts, parental rights termination and litigation, and served as a panelist at the all court judicial conference which addressed issues of ethnic and racial bias.

Throughout her career, she has been an active participant on committees devoted to ensuring that justice is available to all who come before the court, including children, indigent persons and other disenfranchised groups. Justice Duffly continues to devote her time to issues related to equal access to the courts and full diversity on the bench as a member of the board of the National Association of Women Judges. A lifetime member of the NAWJ, Justice Duffly currently serves as its President.

In June, 2000, Justice Duffly received the Distinguished Service Award from the Probate Judge's Association and the Massachusetts Association of Women Lawyers honored Justice Duffly with its Distinguished Jurist Award in June, 2004. She has been recognized as a Diversity Hero by Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly and was recently named a Trailblazer by the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NAPABA). The Trailblazer Award recognizes the outstanding achievements, commitment and leadership of those "have displayed tenacity, vision, creativity and courage in making substantial and lasting contributions to their own communities as well as to the APA community at large."

She has served on the Boston Bar Association's committees on pro se litigation and attorney volunteerism; the Probate and Family Court's committee on pro se access to the courts; and the ABA subcommittee on representation of children; and the Supreme Judicial Court's Standing Committee on substance abuse. She drafted model procedures to deal with child access matters in which substance abuse is a factor.

Justice Duffly has promoted the rule of law in China through participation in judicial exchange programs; in 2001, she was part of a delegation of Massachusetts judges hosted by the Supreme People's Court and has presented several educational programs in Massachusetts to judges visiting from China.

## HONORABLE DANA FABE

Chief Justice Dana Fabe was appointed to the Alaska Supreme Court in January, 1996 and is the first woman to serve on the court. She has twice been elected by her colleagues on the Alaska Supreme Court to serve as chief justice of the state. Prior to her appointment to the Supreme Court, she served as a Superior Court Judge in Anchorage for seven and a half years, handling a complex civil litigation caseload on the trial bench. She was Deputy Presiding Judge of the Third Judicial District and also served as a Training Judge for Magistrates in the Third Judicial District. Chief Justice Fabe served for many years as co-chair of the Alaska Bar Association's Gender Equality Section and chair of the Alaska Supreme Court's Commission on Judicial Outreach. She has also served as chair of the Alaska Supreme Court's Access to Civil Justice Task Force, chair of the Advisory Committee to the Alaska Supreme Court on Civil Rules, and chair of Alaska's Judicial Education Committee. Chief Justice Fabe currently serves as Project Chair of NAWJ, and she is a member of the American Judicature Society's National Advisory Council. Born in Cincinnati, Ohio, Justice Fabe received her bachelor's degree from Cornell University and her J.D. from Northeastern University School of Law.

## HONORABLE CAROL FEINMAN

Judge Carol Feinman serves as an Administrative Law Judge for the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA). Since 1985, Judge Feinman has held hearings on all areas of public assistance law. Her main focus is conducting hearings and deciding appeals regarding the denial of emergency rent assistance for persons facing eviction, as well as the adequacy of temporary housing assistance for homeless persons. Judge Feinman holds a J.D. degree from Brooklyn Law School, as well as a B.A. in Metropolitan Studies and a M.A. degree in International Affairs from New York University. She is a member of NAWJ.

## WES FITZWATER

Wes Fitzwater is a partner in the law firm of Fitzwater Meyer, LLP, a 9-attorney firm emphasizing estate planning and elder law. Wes focuses upon the crisis issues faced by the elderly and their families, including incapacity, guardianship and conservatorship, long-term care, and end-of-life concerns.

Wes is a frequent speaker to senior groups as well as Oregon attorneys. He is an author and instructor on topics including long-term care, incapacity, guardianships and conservatorships, legal ethics and professionalism. He is the co-editor of the Oregon State Bar publication entitled *The Elder Law Handbook*, a reference book for Oregon attorneys.

Born and raised in Oregon, Wes comes from a family of attorneys, with both his father and grandfather serving in the profession. He holds a B.S. from Willamette University in Salem and a J.D. from the University of Puget Sound School of Law in Tacoma, Washington.

In 2000, Wes and his law partner, Donna R. Meyer, received the Volunteer of the Year award from the Alzheimer's Association for several years of speaking to and providing training to Alzheimer's support groups.

In 2006, Wes received the OSB President's Membership Service Award, given by the President of the Oregon State Bar for "volunteer law-related services on behalf of Oregon's lawyers."

## HONORABLE JULIE FRANTZ

Judge Julie Frantz has served on the Multnomah County Circuit Court bench since 1994. She received her undergraduate degree in 1971 from Stanford University, and law degree in 1975 from Lewis and Clark Law School where she currently serves as Governance Chair on its Board of Visitors. Judge Frantz practiced criminal defense with the Metropolitan Public Defender before joining in 1982 the civil litigation firm of Schulte, Anderson et.al., where she became a partner. She has been an adjunct professor at Lewis and Clark Law School, a high school mock trial coach for many years, and currently serves on the faculty of Oregon's New Judges College.

Judge Frantz has served as the President of the Oregon Circuit Judges Association, Vice-chair of the Judicial Conduct Committee, and President of the Oregon Law Foundation. She served on Oregon's Board of Governors, and in 1993 was named the first woman President of the Oregon State Bar. She is currently Chief Criminal Judge, Chair of the State Criminal Justice Advisory Committee, co-chairs the implementation of the county's first Mental Health Court, and serves as a regional director of National Association of Women Judges.

Judge Frantz has been the recipient of numerous awards including the Multnomah Bar Association Award of Merit, the Distinguished Graduate Award from her law school, and the Fred A. Stickel Public Sector Award. She has been a mentor to young lawyers for many years, a frequent speaker on trial practice, ethics and professionalism, and is an active member of her community and numerous volunteer organizations, including serving on the Board of the I Have a Dream Foundation, as President of the Oregon Episcopal School Board of Trustees, and Advisory Board of Girl Scouts Beyond Bars.

## HONORABLE JENNIFER GEE

Chief Judge Jennifer Gee is the District Chief Judge for the U.S. Department of Labor Office of Administrative Law Judges' office in San Francisco. She practiced law with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for eight years as a trial attorney, specializing in employment discrimination before becoming a judge. She has been a judge since 1982 spending 11 years with the U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board hearing personnel-related cases involving Federal employees, 6 years with the California State Bar Court hearing attorney discipline cases, 2 years with the California

Department of Insurance hearing insurance regulation cases, and 1 year with the Office of Hearings and Appeals for the Social Security Administration hearing Social Security disability benefits cases. In her current jobs she presides over formal hearings under 80 diverse, labor-related statutes and regulations, including the Longshore & Harbor Workers Compensation Act, the whistleblower protection provisions of over 14 different statutes such as the Clean Air Act, Energy Reorganization Act, Toxic Substances Control Act, and Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, and other statutes relating to alien certification, child labor laws, civil rights, and minimum wage disputes. She attended the University of California at Berkeley where she received her BA degree in computer science and earned her J.D. from Boalt Hall, the University of California Berkeley School of Law. She was the president of California/Nevada Women Judges Association and served on the board of directors of the National Association of Women Judges from 1997-1999. She has taught numerous continuing legal education courses in ethics, employment discrimination, and MSPB law. She has been on the faculty of the National Judicial College since 1994, teaching classes for administrative law judges about decision writing, bias, and hearing techniques.

## HONORABLE NANCY GERTNER

Judge Nancy Gertner graduated Barnard College (B.A. 1967) and Yale Law School (J.D. 1971) where she was an editor on The Yale Law Journal. She received her M.A. in Political Science at Yale University. She has been profiled in the Boston Globe, the Boston Herald, the ABA Journal, Boston Magazine, and The Wall Street Journal. On August 9, 2008, she received the Thurgood Marshall Award from the American Bar Association, Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities. Judge Gertner has written widely on various legal issues including constitutional and criminal law, criminal procedure, sex discrimination law, reproductive rights and the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines. She has been the keynote speaker at many conferences concerning civil rights, civil liberties, employment and criminal justice and procedural issues. She has participated extensively in events and panels involving human rights and women's rights throughout the United States and abroad.

## PATRICIA K. GILLETTE

Patricia Gillette, a partner in Orrick's San Francisco office, is a member of the Employment Law group. Ms. Gillette's practice focuses on all aspects of employment law, including wrongful discharge and discrimination litigation in both state and federal court, representation of employers in hearings before administrative agencies and counseling and training employers on preventive personnel practices.

Ms. Gillette has been recognized by many organizations for her expertise and experience as an employment lawyer, including Chambers USA, The Best Lawyers in America and Who's Who. She was listed as a "Star Lawyer" in the 2006 edition of PLC Which Lawyer? Global 50 Portraits.

Ms. Gillette is a member of the Advisory Committee for the National Employment Law Institute and a member of the Board of Directors for the California Employment Law Council. She is a frequent lecturer to management and professional groups on employment issues. She has spoken for such nationally recognized groups as the American Bar Association, California State Bar Association, National Employment Law Institute, California Employment Law Council, Practising Law Institute, the Rutter Group, CEB and many other management employment groups.

Before joining Orrick, Ms. Gillette was a partner and Co-Chair of Heller Ehrman LLP's Labor and Employment Practice Group. Prior to joining Heller Ehrman, Ms. Gillette was in private practice for several years and was in-house counsel for Bank of America, where she was in charge of the Personnel Advice Section of the Legal Department.

Ms. Gillette is the founder of the Opt-In Project, a nationwide initiative focused on changing the structure of law firms to increase the retention and advancement of women in the workplace. Ms. Gillette speaks frequently on these issues at conferences across the nation. She also is Orrick's representative on the Hidden Brain Drain Task Force, a cross industry group focused on issues facing women and minorities in the workplace.

## HONORABLE SHARON GLEASON

Judge Gleason has been a trial court judge in Anchorage, Alaska since 2001. Her docket includes all types of civil litigation, ranging from constitutional law to custody disputes. Judge Gleason has chaired the Newer Judge Training Committee for the Alaska Court System since 2005.

## SUMMER R. GLEASON

Summer Gleason is a Senior Assistant Attorney General at the Oregon Department of Justice where she defends state criminal convictions in federal habeas corpus proceedings; and represents the state during adult and juvenile Psychiatric Security.

Review Board hearings. As part of a workgroup, she made recommendations to Attorney General Hardy Myers regarding the implementation of victims' rights and victim advocacy during appeals and collateral criminal proceedings.

Prior to joining the Oregon Department of Justice, Summer spent nearly fifteen years as a prosecutor where she committed her career to helping children and victims of crime. She prosecuted adult criminal and juvenile delinquency cases, dependency proceedings, and enforced child support orders. Summer spent over half of her prosecution career supervising prosecution units that handled juvenile delinquency and dependency cases, and child support proceedings.

Summer began her legal career in private practice where she handled domestic relations cases. There a primary focus was reducing the harmful impacts of divorce on children.

She has made other contributions to the legal community including authoring a chapter for the Oregon State Bar Juvenile Law continuing legal education publication. Summer represented the Oregon District Attorneys Association on Oregon Law Commission committees regarding juvenile law, establishing parentage, and child support law; and participated in drafting legislation in those areas. She also drafted legislation that was enacted to enhance penalties for offenders who make school bomb threats. Summer participated in drafting a multi-disciplinary protocol for handling domestic violence cases. She has also provided state-wide training to prosecutors, juvenile probation officers, and other professionals in the areas of juvenile law and child support law.

Summer balances her life by growing a vegetable and fruit garden, perennial gardening, hiking, reading, and enjoying time with her husband and pets.

## EDMUND C. GOODMAN

Edmund C. Goodman has practiced Indian law since 1989. He began his legal career at the Native American Program of Oregon Legal Services, where he served first as a staff attorney and then as the Director of Litigation. He joined Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP in the fall of 2001 and became a partner in September 2003.

Mr. Goodman represents tribal clients on a wide range of issues, including housing, tribal jurisdiction and sovereignty, natural resources and environmental law, water law, gaming and the Indian Child Welfare Act. He has litigated on behalf of tribes in state, federal and tribal courts, as well as in various administrative forums. He has assisted in the drafting of constitutions, ordinances, by-laws and administrative regulations for tribal governments. He also has extensive experience advising tribes on their tribal court systems, and currently serves as an Associate Judge for the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon.

## LINDA D. GOODMAN

Linda D. Goodman recently retired as head of the Forest Service's largest region – the Pacific Northwest. Linda supervised 5,300 employees on 38 units comprising 25.4 million acres and oversaw a budget of \$470 million. During her five years as Regional Forester, Linda took pride in making the region a "good investment" by consistently meeting agency targets for land rehabilitation, recreation, commodity production, restoration of species, civil rights and employee development. Her focus was to ensure the land managed for the people of the United States was available for today and tomorrow's generations. Linda graduated from Linfield College and completed graduate courses in forestry at Oregon State University.

## HONORABLE SUSAN P. GRABER

Judge Graber was appointed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in 1998 by President Clinton. Previously she sat on the Oregon Court of Appeals (1988-90) and the Oregon Supreme Court (1990-98). Judge Graber practiced law from 1972 to 1988, most recently as a partner in the Portland office of Stoel Rives, where she specialized in employment law and other civil litigation.

Judge Graber received her B.A. (Phi Beta Kappa) from Wellesley College in 1969 and her J.D. from Yale Law School in 1972.

In 2000 Judge Graber chaired the American Bar Association's Committee on Appellate Practice. She was named Oregon's 1998 Legal Citizen of the Year, and in 2001 received Yale's Tercentenary "For Country" Award in Oregon.

## LINDA GREENHOUSE **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**



Linda Greenhouse covered the Supreme Court for The New York Times for 30 years beginning in 1978. In January 2009 will become the Knight Distinguished Journalist in Residence and Joseph M. Goldstein Senior Fellow at Yale Law School.

Ms. Greenhouse received several major journalism awards during her career at the Times, including the Pulitzer Prize (1998) and the Goldsmith Career Award for Excellence in Journalism from Harvard University's Kennedy School (2004). In 2002, the American Political Science Association gave her its Carey McWilliams Award for "a major journalistic contribution to our understanding of politics." Her biography of Justice Harry A. Blackmun, *Becoming Justice Blackmun*, was published in 2005.

Ms. Greenhouse is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, where she serves on the council, and is one of two non-lawyer honorary members of the American Law Institute, which in 2002 awarded her its Henry J. Friendly Medal. She is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, where she serves on the council, and a member of the American Philosophical Society, which in 2005 awarded her its Henry Allen Moe Prize for writing in the humanities and jurisprudence. She is also a member of the advisory council of the Schlesinger Library on the History of Women in America.

For two academic years, 2004 and 2005, she was a Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar, lecturing and teaching at colleges and universities around the country. She also lectures frequently to law school and judicial audiences and has been awarded nine honorary degrees.

She is a 1968 graduate of Radcliffe College (Harvard) and earned a Master of Studies in Law degree from Yale Law School (1978), which she attended on a Ford Foundation fellowship.

## SUSAN HAMMER

Susan Hammer is one of the leading mediators in the Pacific Northwest. She has served as a mediator since 1988 and has mediated a range of business and real estate disputes, employment claims of all kinds, personal injury and products liability cases. Susan was formerly a partner with the firm of Stoel Rives, LLP in Portland, Oregon, where she practiced law for 21 years. She is listed in the Best Lawyers in America 2005-2008 for Alternative Dispute Resolution and in Oregon Super Lawyers, 2006-2008. She is a Fellow in the International Academy of Mediators <<http://www.iamed.org/>>.

## CHARLES F. HINKLE

Charles F. Hinkle is a graduate of Stanford University, Union Theological Seminary, and Yale Law School. He is a partner in the Portland, Oregon office of Stoel Rives LLP, and an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ. He is a former president of the ACLU of Oregon and of the City Club of Portland. He taught constitutional law courses at Lewis & Clark Law School for many years, and is past chairman of the Oregon State Bar Constitutional Law Section.

As attorney for The Oregonian and as a cooperating attorney for the ACLU, he has been lead counsel in many cases involving public records, open courts, and free speech and other constitutional law issues, including the death penalty, assisted suicide, obscenity, and religious liberty. He has been listed under the First Amendment category in every edition of Best Lawyers in America since that publication began that category.

## SANDRA HODGSON

Sandra Hodgson is an attorney in private practice with the law firm of Bouneff & Chally in Portland, Oregon. Her areas of practice include surrogacy, assisted reproduction and adoption. She is licensed to practice law in Oregon, Washington, and Montana. She was a law clerk at the Oregon Supreme Court and Oregon Court of Appeals after graduating from the University of Iowa College of Law.

Sandra is a member of the American Academy of Adoption Attorneys, the American Society of Reproductive Medicine, the Family and Juvenile Law Section of the Oregon State Bar Standing Committee on Adoption, and RESOLVE. She is co-author of 2 Family Law, Ch. 17, Adoption; Assisted Reproduction (Oregon CLE) and has been a speaker on assisted reproduction and adoption.

## HONORABLE CAROL W. HUNSTEIN

Presiding Justice Carol W. Hunstein was appointed to the Supreme Court of Georgia in November 1992 by then Governor Zell Miller. She is the second woman in history to serve as a permanent member of the Court. She has been re-elected three times, most recently in 2006. Prior to serving on the Supreme Court, she won election to the Superior Court of DeKalb County in 1984. Justice Hunstein was in private practice before that and has been a member of the Georgia Bar since 1976.

## KAREN KAY IMAGAWA, M.D.

Karen Kay Imagawa, M.D. is Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at the Keck School of Medicine at the University of Southern California. She received her medical degree at the University of California, Los Angeles, and is currently board certified in both Pediatrics and Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics.

She is currently the Director of the Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics Program at Childrens Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA). During her tenure she developed and currently coordinates and organizes a comprehensive developmental-behavioral pediatric rotation for residents as a required adjunct to their training. In addition, under her leadership, CHLA obtained Fellowship accreditation for the Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics Program this year and has recruited their first top quality fellow to join the program.

Dr. Imagawa is also the Director of the Audrey Hepburn CARES Team at CHLA, which provides comprehensive medical and mental health services for suspected victims of child abuse and is a court appointed expert (730 paneled expert in both Criminal and Dependency Court) in the field of child abuse. As part of the advocacy training program for pediatrics residents, she developed a rotation in which the residents are exposed to a variety of programs, departments, and systems that work to advocate for children who may be victims of abuse. In conjunction with Project Heal (the mental health component of the CARES Team), Dr. Imagawa is part of a grant to develop a Web site designed to increase pediatric residents' confidence and skills in detecting, assessing and helping children and families exposed to domestic violence. She was previously a member of the advisory board and named on a grant from the California State Council on Developmental Disabilities focusing on prevention and treatment services to children with developmental disabilities who were victims of crime, as well as serving on the advisory group for The California Medical Training Centers formulating standardized training in child abuse, and collaborating on a task force to develop standards at the state level for mental health care for child victims of trauma. She is a medical consultant for the Inter-agency Council on Child Abuse and Neglect (ICAN) in Los Angeles, is a member of the ICAN Child Death Review Team, and actively participates in the ICAN medical task force developing standards for sexual assault examinations for children as well as in the multi-agency group developing guidelines and policies regarding the identification and investigation of severe and fatal child injuries.

Given Dr. Imagawa's extensive formal training and expertise in both child abuse and in developmental and behavioral pediatrics, provides a critical additional focus, enabling a more comprehensive assessment in all child abuse cases. With this specialized training, the CARES Team is able to provide developmentally appropriate recommendations to caregivers and to the Courts, and is also able to provide comprehensive care to our community's large population of children with developmental disabilities, a group that is at a higher statistical risk for child abuse.

Dr. Imagawa is chairman of the CHLA CARES Team Medical Staff Committee for quality assurance and quality control and a member of the CHLA Residency Education Committee. In addition she diligently continues to expand fundraising efforts and build relationships with various donors, including the Audrey Hepburn Childrens Fund, and the Nicole Parker Foundation for Children, both of which continue to annually provide significant contributions to the Audrey Hepburn CARES Team.



## GUY JACOBSON

Guy Jacobson, a former New York attorney and investment banker, serves as President of Priority Films. Over the past twenty years, he has produced television programs, written and published books, and written numerous newspaper and magazine articles. *Holly*, the highly acclaimed feature film currently in theaters, is his seventh screenplay. Three of Mr. Jacobson's screenplays were co-written with two-time Academy Award Nominee Julian Chagrin. Mr. Jacobson also serves as Executive Director for the RedLight Children Campaign, a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) associated with the United Nations aiming to end all forms of child sex exploitation. Utilizing his background in law and economics, Jacobson's Campaign focuses on attacking the demand for child sex exploitation as a means to eradicate this crime against humanity. *Holly* spearheads the first phase of the project, serving to raise awareness about the global epidemic of child sex trafficking and sexual exploitation.

Most recently, the US State Department honored Jacobson as a Global Hero for his work with *Holly*, highlighted in the 2008 Trafficking in Persons report.

## HONORABLE MARY MERTENS JAMES

Judge Mary James was appointed to the Marion County Oregon Circuit Court in 2003, and elected in May 2004. She is a general jurisdiction trial judge, responsible for criminal, civil and family law dockets. She is vice-chair of the Judicial Education Committee, responsible for educational programming for Oregon's judiciary. She also serves on the Bench-Bar Professionalism Commission, committed to promoting and upholding the highest standards of professionalism by lawyers and judges.

Prior to becoming a judge, Judge James practiced law for 22 years, as an Assistant Attorney General for the Oregon Department of Justice for 11 years and as a partner in private practice for 11 years. Judge James handled important disputes affecting Oregonians, helped clients and counseled government leaders and private clients on constitutional, federal and state law legal issues. Currently, Judge James also shares presiding judge duties with Judge Dennis Graves in Marion County's first mental health court which offers an alternative to jail for those who are mentally ill and have committed a criminal act.

Judge James is adjunct faculty at Willamette University Law School, for Trial Practice and Pretrial Civil Litigation. She is also a certified mediator and serves as a settlement judge in her jurisdiction. Judge James received her *juris doctor* from University of Notre Dame Law School and a B.S. in business from Portland State University.

Raised in Oregon, Judge James and her husband Art have been Salem residents for 23 years, and live outside town together with an exuberant Labrador Retriever and two feline companions.

## PAMELA S. KARLAN **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**



Pamela S. Karlan is the Kenneth and Harle Montgomery Professor of Public Interest Law at Stanford Law School and co-director of the Stanford Supreme Court Litigation Clinic, in which students work on live cases before the Supreme Court in a wide variety of substantive areas. In the past five years, the Clinic has represented a party in roughly twenty argued cases, as well as participating in numerous other cases at the certiorari stage and on behalf of amici curiae. Karlan herself has argued six cases before the Court.

Karlan received her B.A., M.A. (in history), and J.D. from Yale. Following her graduation from law school, she clerked for Judge Abraham D. Sofaer of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York and for Justice Harry A. Blackmun of the United States Supreme Court. She then served as assistant counsel at the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, where she specialized in voting rights and employment discrimination litigation. She remains a cooperating attorney with the Legal Defense Fund. From 2003 to 2005, Karlan also served as a commissioner on the California Fair Political Practices Commission, the state agency responsible for overseeing campaign finance and conflict of interest laws.

Karlan's primary scholarly interests lie in the areas of constitutional law and litigation, including voting rights, civil rights, and criminal procedure. She is the co-author of several leading casebooks, including *Constitutional Law* (5th ed. 2005) (with Stone, Seidman, Sunstein, and Tushnet); *The Law of Democracy: Legal Structure of the Political Process* (3rd ed. 2007) (with Issacharoff and Pildes) and *Civil Rights Actions: Enforcing the Constitution* (2nd ed. 2007) (with Low, Jeffries, and Rutherglen). She has also written dozens of law review articles.

## HONORABLE TANYA R. KENNEDY

Judge Tanya R. Kennedy is an elected Civil Court Judge of the City of New York, as well as an Adjunct Professor at Fordham University School of Law. Judge Kennedy is a member of various judicial and bar organizations, and is among a group of judges throughout New York State who was appointed by Chief Judge Judith S. Kaye to serve on the New York Lawyer Assistance Trust Judge Advisory Panel to provide recommendations on how to address drug/alcohol dependency and mental health issues in the judiciary. Judge Kennedy received her Juris Doctorate degree from Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, where she serves as an Executive Committee member of the Alumni Association.

## HONORABLE CINDY S. LEDERMAN

Judge Lederman is the Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court in Miami-Dade County, Florida. Judge Lederman's interest in bringing science and research into the courtroom results from her 10 year involvement with the National Research Council/Institute of Medicine at the National Academy of Sciences where she served on two research panels and on the NRC/IOM Board on Children, Youth and Families. Judge Lederman was a member of the Executive Session on Deviant Peer Contagion at Duke University, the ChildTrends Consortium on Child Well-Being Indicators in Child Welfare and serves on the Task Force on Foster Care of the American Academy of Pediatrics. In 1999, Judge Lederman was awarded a Fellowship from Zero to Three: The National Center for Infants, Toddlers and Families in their Leaders of the 21st Century Initiative. The Council of State Governments awarded Judge Lederman a 2002 Toll Fellowship. Judge Lederman is a member of the Board of Trustees of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges.

As a result of Judge Lederman's work with maltreated infants and toddlers from 2000 to 2002, the Florida Legislature designated her court an "Infant and Young Children's Mental Health Pilot Site". This work led to the Miami-Dade Juvenile Court Early Childhood Initiative that has been replicated in 5 states with Congressional funding and now serves as the basis for the Court Teams for Change project operated by Zero to Three, as well as the Safe Babies Act of 2007. In May 2007, Judge Lederman was invited by Speaker Pelosi to present to members of Congress on her early childhood work at a meeting in preparation for Speaker Pelosi's National Summit on America's Children.

## SUSAN M. LEESON

Susan M. Leeson is a principal in Mediation Plus, LLC, providing mediation and arbitration services as well as consultation on complex appeals. She is listed in "The Best Lawyers in America" in the specialty of Alternative Dispute Resolution. She also mediates victim-offender cases and conducts mediator trainings for community mediation programs. Leeson was a justice on the Oregon Supreme Court (1998 to 2003) and a judge on the Oregon Court of Appeals (1993 to 1998). She taught political theory and public law for many years at Willamette University. She also taught mediation skills at the University of Oregon Law School. She was a Judicial Fellow at the United States Supreme Court in the office of Chief Justice Warren Burger; and a clerk in the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Leeson has co-authored texts on constitutional law and dispute resolution, and published many articles on law and political theory. She is the principal writer of the 2009 edition of "*We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution*" (Center for Civic Education). She lectures regularly for the Center for Civic Education and the National School Safety Center. She was a member of the Public Commission on the Oregon Legislature, and Oregon's Legal Citizen of the Year in 2006. Leeson earned her Ph.D. in Government at Claremont Graduate School and her J.D. at Willamette College of Law.

## MARGARET LEVI

Margaret Levi is the Jere L. Bacharach Professor of International Studies, Department of Political Science, University of Washington, Seattle. She is Director of the CHAOS (Comparative Historical Analysis of Organizations and States) Center and formerly the Harry Bridges Chair and Director, the Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies <<http://depts.washington.edu/pcls/>>. Levi earned her B.A. from Bryn Mawr College in 1968 and her Ph.D. from Harvard University in 1974, the year she joined the faculty of the University of Washington. She became a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2001 and a John Simon Guggenheim Fellow in 2002. She was a Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar (2006-7) and recipient of the S. Sterling Munro Public Service Teaching Award in 2001. She served as President of the American Political Science Association <<http://apsanet.org/>> (2004-5).

## HONORABLE VIRGINIA L. LINDER

Justice Virginia L. Linder sits on the Oregon Supreme Court. She was elected to that position in November 2006, and began her term in January 2007. She previously served as a Judge on the Oregon Court of Appeals, where she served for over 9 years. Before becoming a judge, Linder was Oregon's Solicitor General for more than 11 years. In that capacity, she was the administrator and chief counsel of the Appellate Division of the Oregon Department of Justice. She supervised all appellate work in which the State of Oregon was involved or interested, and she directly and actively involved in the more complex and sensitive appeals, including all matters that went before the United States Supreme Court. She is a 1980 graduate of Willamette University School of Law in Salem, Oregon. Among other professional activities, Judge Linder is a frequent speaker and author for the Oregon State Bar and other professional organizations, and for many years has taught Appellate Advocacy as an Adjunct Professor at Willamette University Law School. Finally, she is also one of the unofficial "techno-geek" judges of Oregon's appellate courts, and has been involved for several years in the various eCourt initiatives that Oregon's trial and appellate courts have undertaken.

## HONORABLE MARILYN E. LITZENBERGER

Judge Marilyn E. Litzenberger is a Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge in Portland. Judge Litzenberger received her B.S. from the College of Pharmacy at Oregon State University and her J.D. from Lewis & Clark Law School. She formerly served on the Oregon State Bar's Uniform Civil Jury Instruction Committee and Future of the Legal Profession Task Force and is a past chair of the OSB Unlawful Practice of Law and Balancing Personal Life, Family & Career committees and the OSB Products Liability Section. Judge Litzenberger is also a past President of Oregon Women Lawyers and the Oregon Women Lawyers Foundation. She currently serves as co-chair of the Committee to Improve Jury Service, a joint committee of the bench and bar in Multnomah County.

## JUSTICE BARBARA A. MADSEN

Justice Barbara A. Madsen is the third woman to be elected to a seat on the bench of the Washington State Supreme Court since the formation of the Court in 1889. Justice Madsen was first elected in 1992, re-elected in 1998, and re-elected for a third term on September 14, 2004.

A native of Renton, Justice Madsen received her undergraduate degree from the University of Washington in 1974 and earned her J.D. from Gonzaga University School of Law in 1977. While at Gonzaga, Justice Madsen volunteered many hours with Gonzaga's University Legal Assistance Clinic and with Spokane Legal Services. Currently, Justice Madsen sits on the Board of Advisors for Gonzaga University School of Law and serves regularly as a judge in Gonzaga's Annual Moot Court Competition.

After graduation, Justice Madsen worked as a public defender in King and Snohomish Counties. In 1982, she joined the Seattle City Attorney's Office as a staff attorney and was appointed Special Prosecutor in 1984. In that role, Justice Madsen was responsible for developing the child abuse component of the Family Violence Project for the City Attorney's Office.

Justice Madsen was appointed to the Seattle Municipal Court bench in 1988 by then Mayor Charles Royer. While in the Municipal Court, Justice Madsen began working toward the development of a Domestic Violence Coordinating Committee to comprehensively address violence in the family. As Seattle's Presiding Judge, Justice Madsen increased opportunities for women and minority attorneys to receive appointments as pro tem judges and increased diversity among the court employee population.

Justice Madsen and her husband, Donald Madsen, live in Fircrest and have four children. Justice Madsen is an active volunteer with the Pierce County public schools and active in the Judges in the Classroom program. In 1993, Justice Madsen was honored as the first recipient of the annual Myra Bradwell Award, honoring an outstanding alumna of Gonzaga University School of Law who has made great strides on behalf of women. In 1998, she was honored as a Very Important Woman by the Thurston County Women's Symposium, and received the Washington Women Lawyers Vanguard Award in 1998 and again in 2002 for her leadership and inspiration for women in the legal profession. In addition, Justice Madsen has been honored with Department of the Army Certificate of Achievement 1999, Washington Women Lawyers Foundation Award 2001, National Association of Women Judges Special Presidents Award 2002, Seattle University School of Law Woman of the Year 2003, Equal Justice Coalition Judicial Award 2004, the Washington State Trial Lawyers Association Certificate of Appreciation for Contribution to Legal Education 2004; a 2004 award from the Washington State Bar

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Association for her leadership and work on behalf of the Washington State Gender and Justice Commission; and a 2006 Access to Justice Award of Distinction for Public Service.

Justice Madsen serves as chair of the Washington State Gender and Justice Commission. She also chairs the Supreme Court Personnel Committee; she co-chairs the court's Internal Rules Committee and serves on the Budget Committee, Administrative Committee, and the Washington Court Reports Commission, as well as on the Board for Judicial Administration. Justice Madsen is a member of the American Judges Association, the National Association of Women Judges, and the Judicature Society.

## HONORABLE MARGARET A. MANGAN

Judge Margaret (Peg) Mangan has served as an Administrative Law Judge with the District of Columbia Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH), a Central Panel Jurisdiction, since January 2007. Judge Mangan hears cases involving rental housing, Department of Health citations and others. She also mediates rental housing and permit cases. Prior to joining OAH, she served as the Workers' Compensation Hearing Officer in the Vermont Department of Labor. Judge Mangan began her legal career as a judicial law clerk and litigation associate. She is a magna cum laude graduate of Vermont Law School, and a member of both the National Association of Women Judges (NAWJ) and National Association of Administrative Law Judiciary (NAALJ).

## KAREN J. MATHIS

Karen J. Mathis, a partner in the Denver, Colorado office of McElroy, Deutsch, Mulvaney & Carpenter, LLP, is on sabbatical for one year, during which she is serving as the executive director of the CEELI Institute in Prague. She is a past president of the American Bar Association (2007).

Mathis is a business, commercial and estate planning lawyer with more than 30 years' experience. Mathis earned her law degree from the University Of Colorado School Of Law. She has received honorary degrees from Siena College, the University of Denver, Michigan State University College of Law, Southwestern Law School and California Western School of Law. Her alma mater, the University of Colorado School of law has awarded her an honorary Order of the Coif and its highest honor, the Knous Award. A member of the Colorado and International Women's Forums, Mathis has been honored as an outstanding lawyer by the Denver and Colorado Bar Associations, the University of Colorado and the University of Albany School of Law.

An active member of the ABA for almost 30 years, Mathis served as the association's second highest elected officer, chair of its House of Delegates, from August 2000 until August 2002. She was the third woman to serve as an ABA president, and the first president from Colorado. Mathis's extensive ABA involvement includes leadership of numerous ABA entities. She served as chair of the 30,000-member General Practice, Solo and Small Firm Section (now a Division) in 2002 to 2003; as chair of the Commission on Women in the Profession from 1997 to 2000; and as chair of the Standing Committee on Membership from 1994 to 1997.

Mathis has long been an advocate for our nation's youth, serving on the Colorado Commission on Child Care and as a member of the Mile Hi Council of Girl Scouts. She has spoken on six continents about the future of the law, the rule of law, and women's place in the profession. She serves on the Advisory Boards of Martindale Hubbell and the Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System.

Her ABA presidential initiatives included Youth at Risk, Second Season of Service, Direct Women Institute, and Rule of Law.

## HONORABLE JEAN KERR MAURER

Judge Maurer received her Bachelor of Arts degree from UC Berkeley in 1971, and her JD from the University of Santa Clara Law School in 1974. She began her legal career in 1974 as a prosecutor first in Marion County and then Multnomah County. She worked in that capacity until she entered private practice in 1979. In 1988, she returned to the Multnomah County District Attorney's office, where she worked until being appointed to the bench in 1996. She has presided over a wide variety of civil and criminal cases. She began her tenure as the Presiding Judge for Multnomah County in January of 2008. She is the first woman to serve in that position.

Since being appointed to the bench, she has served as the President of the Oregon Circuit Judges Association and as the President of the Gus Solomon Inn of Court. Additionally, she has taught as an adjunct professor at Lewis and Clark Law School. She is a frequent speaker and has volunteered her time as a coach of high school mock trial teams. In 2003 she was the recipient of the Multnomah Bar Association Award of Merit. She remains an active member of local and statewide bar and judicial committees and organizations.

## HONORABLE M. MARGARET MCKEOWN

Judge McKeown was appointed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit by President Clinton and was confirmed by the United States Senate in 1998.

She was born in Casper, Wyoming. She attended the University of Madrid and graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Wyoming with a B.A. in 1972 and from Georgetown University Law Center with a J.D. in 1975. She received an honorary doctorate from Georgetown University in 2005. Judge McKeown was a White House Fellow in 1980-1981, serving as Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Interior and Special Assistant at the White House. In 1993, she served as a Japan Society Leadership Fellow.

After law school, Judge McKeown joined the law firm of Perkins Coie and was a partner in the Seattle and Washington, D.C. offices before joining the bench. The Seattle-King County Bar Association honored her with its Outstanding Lawyer of the Year Award and she was named by the National Law Journal as one of “the 50 Most Influential Women Lawyers” in the United States. She has received a number of other awards, including the University of Wyoming A&S Outstanding Alumna, the Georgetown University Law Center Outstanding Alumnae Award, the Outstanding Mentor Award from Big Sisters, the Federal Bar Association Community Service Award, and the Girl Scouts’ “Cool Women” Award.

Judge McKeown serves as chair of the Judicial Conference of the United States Codes of Conduct Committee. She also is the Chair of the American Bar Association (ABA) Committee on Federal Judicial Improvements. She serves on the ABA World Justice Project Commission, the board of the Federal Judges Association, the Advisory Board of the American Judicature Society, the American Society for International Law Judicial Advisory Board, and as a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation. She is a member of the American Law Institute. Judge McKeown previously served as President of the Federal Bar Association of the Western District of Washington, a member of the Ninth Circuit Gender Bias Task Force, Co-President of Washington Women Lawyers, and a member of the ABA House of Delegates.

Judge McKeown is the Jurist in Residence and an adjunct professor at the University of San Diego Law School. She has lectured and taught extensively overseas, including China, Europe, and Latin America. A frequent participant in legal seminars on judicial ethics, international law, litigation, computer law, and intellectual property, Judge McKeown is co-author of *“Trial Tactics in Trade Secret Litigation,”* Intellectual Property Counseling and Litigation (Matthew Bender), *“The Promises of a New World Information Order,”* The Knowledge Economy (Aspen Institute), and *“The Lost Sanctuary: Examining Sex Trafficking Through the Lens of United States v. Ah Sou”* (Cornell Journal of International Law). She is also an author of *Business and Commercial Litigation in Federal Courts* (West Group).

Judge McKeown is married to Peter F. Cowhey, Dean of the Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies, University of California at San Diego. They have a daughter, Megan.

## HONORABLE MAUREEN H. MCKNIGHT

Judge Maureen McKnight is a Circuit Court Judge in Multnomah County, Oregon, handling family, juvenile, and criminal matters. Her legal career, both before appointment to the bench and afterwards, has focused on systemic family law issues affecting low-income Oregonians, including access to justice issues such as self-representation, operation of the state's child support program, and the response of Oregon's communities to domestic violence. She is currently the Lead Judge of Multnomah County's DV Court. Judge McKnight is a member of the Oregon Judicial Department's Family Law Advisory Committee, the author of numerous CLE articles, and the recipient of awards from the Oregon State Bar and Oregon Women Lawyers.

## HONORABLE BRENDA P. MURRAY

Chief Judge Brenda P. Murray was appointed Chief Administrative Law Judge at the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on March 20, 1994. Chief Judge Murray, a native of Lowell, Massachusetts, holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from D'Youville College in Buffalo, New York (1960), a Doctor of Laws degree from Boston University Law School (1963), and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Maryland (1987). Chief Judge Murray is a member of the Bars of Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, the District of Columbia, and the U.S. Supreme Court. Chief Judge Murray was an administrative law judge at the Interstate Commerce Commission and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission before joining the SEC in 1988.

Chief Judge Murray has been President of the National Association of Women Judges and Chair of the American Bar Association's Division of Government and Public Sector Lawyers.

Chief Judge Murray's initial decisions are on-line at the SEC's website [sec.gov](http://sec.gov) under Litigation, Administrative Proceedings, ALJ decisions and orders.

## HARDY MYERS

Attorney General Hardy Myers was born in Mississippi and reared in the Central Oregon cities of Bend and Prineville, where his father managed large sawmill operations. Hardy attended the University of Mississippi, where he received his undergraduate degree With Distinction, and the University of Oregon School of Law, where he was an associate editor of the Oregon Law Review.

After clerking for a federal judge, Hardy began 31 years of private law practice in Portland, the last 17 years at Stoel Rives, Oregon's largest firm. He specialized in antitrust, trade regulation, and labor and employment law.

Hardy's public career began as president of the Portland City Planning Commission, followed by five terms in the Oregon House of Representatives, including two as House Speaker.

Since election as Attorney General, Hardy has served as chair of the Conference of Western Attorneys General, co-chair of the Antitrust Committee and the Consumer Protection Committee of the National Association of Attorneys General, a member of the NAAG Executive Committee, and a director of the NAAG Mission Foundation. He chairs the Attorney General's Sexual Assault Task Force and Restitution Reform Task Force, and a former member of the Governor's Council of Domestic Violence.

Hardy's public service awards as Attorney General include the Meritorious Service Award of the University of Oregon School of Law, the David Frohnmayer Award for Public Service presented by the University of Oregon School of Law Alumni Association, the Government Lawyer of the Year Award and the Professionalism Award of the Marion County (Oregon) Bar Association, the Community Support Hall of Fame Award of the Mid-Valley Women's Crisis Center, The Mary Oberst Award for Leadership to Prevent Childhood Drinking by Oregon Partnership, and the Kelley-Wyman Award of the National Association of Attorneys General.

## MAUREEN C. NASH, M.D.

Maureen C. Nash, M.S., M.D. is a geriatric psychiatrist at the Center for Geriatric Psychiatry at Tuality Forest Grove Hospital in Oregon. Board certified in both psychiatry and internal medicine, Dr. Nash previously served as the Medical Director of a 12 bed inpatient geriatric psychiatry unit in Saranac Lake, New York. Dr. Nash attended the University of Kansas School of Medicine and completed a combined Internal Medicine/Psychiatry residency at Dartmouth Hitchcock Memorial Hospital. Dr. Nash frequently presents lectures on mental healthcare issues in older adults. Prior to pursuing a medical career, Dr. Nash earned a master's of science degree in computer science from the Johns Hopkins University Whiting School of Engineering. She worked for 7 years doing research, first as a Computer Scientist at the Naval Research Laboratory and later as a Systems Analyst at the Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory. As a resident physician she combined the two areas doing research on Heart Rate Variability in Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. Dr. Nash is an active member of a number of medical organizations including the American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry (AAGP). Dr. Nash serves as Vice-Chair of the AAGP Clinical Practice Committee and on the AAGP Research Committee. She Chairs the AAGP subcommittee on Clinical Practice Research. Dr. Nash is currently writing a book describing dementia for the lay public.

## HONORABLE ADRIENNE NELSON

Judge Adrienne Nelson is the second African-American female judge in Oregon's history. Judge Nelson was appointed in February 2006 by Governor Ted Kulongoski and elected to a six-year term in November 2006 in the general election. Born in Kansas City, Missouri and raised in Arkansas, she moved to Oregon in July 1994. Judge Nelson graduated from Gurdon High School in Gurdon, Arkansas in 1985 as the first black valedictorian since integration. She attended the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville *Summa Cum Laude* and earned a bachelor arts degree in Criminal Justice and English in 1989 as well as was inducted as a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Judge Nelson graduated from the University of Texas at Austin School of Law in 1993.

Prior to taking the bench, Judge Nelson was a practicing attorney and handled a variety of legal matters ranging from criminal defense to labor relations to union matters to family law matters to employment law matters. Judge Nelson is active in a number of professional activities and has won numerous awards for her public service, including the Oregon State Bar 2007 Public Service Award. In addition to her professional activities, Judge Nelson currently sits on the Girl Scouts Beyond Bars Advisory Board and is a former member of the Black United Fund of Oregon Board of Directors, Portland Parks Board, the YWCA Columbia-Willamette Board of Directors, the Rosemary Anderson/ Portland Opportunities Industrialization Center board of directors and was a founding member of the Portland-Vancouver National Black MBA chapter.

In March 2003, Adrienne received the Oregon Women Lawyers (OWLs) Judge Mercedes Deiz Award. The Judge Mercedes Deiz Award is awarded to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to promoting women and minorities in the legal profession and in the community. In May 2003, Adrienne received the Delta Sigma Theta Woman of Excellence Award for leadership and service in the African-American community in the business/professional category.

## HONORABLE DARLEEN ORTEGA

Judge Darleen Ortega has been a judge on the Oregon Court of Appeals since 2003. She is the first woman of color to serve on an appellate court in Oregon, and is a frequent speaker on topics related to equipping women and minorities to succeed in the legal profession. Before becoming a judge, she practiced law in four different major law firms in Detroit, Michigan and Portland, Oregon, specializing in complex civil cases and appeals; she was a partner for six years at the Portland law firm of Davis Wright Tremaine. She was heavily involved in management at Davis Wright; among other things, she managed the firm's associate mentor program, served as a frequent mentor to summer associates and junior lawyers, and served on the firm's hiring committee. As a judge, she continues to spend several hours a week mentoring law students and lawyers, and is an active member of Oregon Women Lawyers, the Oregon Minority Lawyers Association, the Oregon State Bar Affirmative Action Committee, and the Oregon Judicial Department Access to Justice Committee. She currently serves on the Transformation Committee of Oregon Women Lawyers, and was instrumental in development of the Workplace Leader Award, which each year recognizes a legal employer for demonstrating a commitment to helping women and minorities achieve leadership in the law. She also is an avid film critic, posting reviews and an annual top-ten movie list on her blog, [www.opinionatedjudge.blogspot.com](http://www.opinionatedjudge.blogspot.com).

## HONORABLE SUSAN OWENS

Judge Susan Owens was elected on November 7, 2000 to be the seventh woman to serve on the Washington State Supreme Court. She joined the Court after serving nineteen years as District Court Judge in Western Clallam County, where she was the County's senior elected official with five terms. She also served as the Quileute Tribe's Chief Judge for five years and Chief Judge of the Lower Elwha S'Klallam Tribe for six plus years.

Justice Owens attended college at Duke University. She attended law school at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, receiving her JD in 1975. She was admitted to the Oregon State Bar in 1975, and the Washington State Bar in 1976.

Justice Owens serves on the Rules Committee, she chairs the Court Interpreter Certification Advisory Commission, and she serves on the Board for Court Education.

## HONORABLE MARK W. POULEY

Judge Mark Pouley was appointed as Chief Judge of the Swinomish Tribal Court in March 2004. Judge Pouley is the presiding judge of the Swinomish Youth Wellness Court. In addition, Judge Pouley was appointed to the Sauk-Suiattle Tribal Court in 2006 and also serves as a pro tem judge for the Northwest Intertribal Court System. Judge Pouley has been a pro tem judge for the Lummi Tribal Court and Court of appeals since 1996. Prior to taking the bench, Judge Pouley was in private practice as a partner in the law firm of Cole & Cole in Stanwood, WA. Judge Pouley earned a J.D. degree from Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Michigan and his undergraduate degrees in political science and speech communication from Gonzaga University. Judge Pouley is on the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the National American Indian Court Judges Association and is a member of the Northwest Tribal Court Judges Association.

## HONORABLE THERESA M. POULEY

Judge Theresa M. Pouley is the Associate Judge of the Tulalip Tribal Court and an Associate Justice of the Colville Court of Appeals in Eastern Washington. The Tulalip Tribal Court heard over 1000 cases in 2006 including a variety of civil, criminal, and juvenile dependency matters.

Judge Pouley is the President of the Northwest Tribal Court Judges Association. She has worked and lectured with the Office of Administrator of Court's in the area of Domestic Violence for the last several years. She was a presenter to the United States Supreme Court Justices O'Connor and Breyer on "Indigenous Justice Paradigms", provided Testimony to the United States Senate Committee on Indian Affairs on "Challenges in Law Enforcement in Indian Country". She was awarded the National Tribal Child Support's Award for Outstanding Judge in 2005. Judge Pouley graduated from Wayne State University Law School in 1987, was admitted to the Michigan Bar and currently is a member of the Washington Bar Association. She has been a licensed attorney for over 20 years and in her practice had a variety of roles including private practice in Michigan and Washington and teaching Indian Law at local community colleges and the Northwest Indian College. She is a member of the Colville Confederated Tribes in eastern Washington.

In October of 2006, the Tulalip Tribal Court's Alternative Sentencing Program was awarded High Honors by the Harvard Honoring Nations Board. The program was one of seven selected for High Honors among the 14 finalists. The Alternative Sentencing Program incorporates a native "healing" philosophy into criminal procedure at Tulalip and has resulted in a 25% decrease in recidivism in just 2 years.

## HONORABLE MARJORIE RASMUSSEN

Chief Judge Marjorie Rasmussen has served as Chief Administrative Law Judge for the Administrative Hearing Bureau (AHB) at the California Department of Insurance (CDI) since January 2006. Chief Judge Rasmussen has served as an Administrative Law Judge with the CDI since June 2001. The Administrative Law Judges at the CDI conduct formal and informal evidentiary hearings on a variety of insurance law matters including rate and enforcement actions. Prior to her judicial service with the CDI, Chief Judge Rasmussen was a civil litigator and teacher. From 1992 to 2001, Chief Judge Rasmussen was in-house corporate civil litigation counsel for State Compensation Insurance Fund. From 1984 to 1992, Chief Judge Rasmussen was in private practice. From 1971 to 1984, Chief Judge Rasmussen was a secondary school teacher. Chief Judge Rasmussen holds a BA degree in History from the University of California, Santa Cruz, a MA degree in U.S. History from California State University, San Francisco and a JD degree from University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law.

## LAUREN STILLER RIKLEEN

Lauren Stiller Rikleem is the founder and Executive Director of the Bowditch Institute for Women's Success. Through the Bowditch Institute, Lauren works with law firms and business organizations to improve the retention and advancement of women in their workplace. She is the author of *Ending the Gauntlet: Removing Barriers to Women's Success in the Law*.

Lauren is also a senior partner in the Real Estate and Environmental Practice Group of Bowditch & Dewey, LLP, where her environmental law practice includes mediating complex land use and environmental disputes.

Among her many professional and community roles, Lauren is a member of the ABA Board of Governors and has recently served on the ABA Commission on Women in the Profession. Lauren is a former president of the Boston Bar Association.



She has been selected by her peers to be recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America*, *Chambers USA America's Leading Business Lawyers*, and as a Massachusetts *Super Lawyer*, a distinction recognizing the top lawyers in the state. A nationally recognized speaker and author, Lauren is also the recipient of numerous honors and awards.

## HONORABLE ELLEN F. ROSENBLUM

2008 NAWJ Conference Chair

Judge Ellen Rosenblum, 2008 NAWJ Conference Chair, has been a member of the Oregon Court of Appeals since 2005. Prior to that, from 1989 until 2005, she served as a state trial judge in Multnomah County (Portland), Oregon. She is a 1975 graduate of the University of Oregon Law School. Her legal employment prior to joining the bench included five years in a small private practice, followed by eight years in the United States Attorney's Office as a federal prosecutor. Judge Rosenblum was the first sitting judge to serve as an officer of the American Bar Association, having served as Secretary of the ABA from 2002-2005. She has served in the House of Delegates of the ABA for 20 years and on numerous ABA committees and commissions, including presently as chair of the Special Committee on Bioethics and the Law. She is the ABA Judicial Division representative to the World Justice Commission — the ABA's rule of law project. Judge Rosenblum recently completed a year as the Chair of the Fellows of the American Bar Foundation. She was the liaison from the National Judicial College to the ABA's Joint Commission to Revise the Model Code of Judicial Conduct. She is a member of the American Law Institute, the American Inns of Court and a founding member of Oregon Women Lawyers.

## HONORABLE VANESSA RUIZ

Judge Vanessa Ruiz is Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, the highest court of the District of Columbia. She chairs the District of Columbia Courts' Advisory Committee on Judicial Conduct. At the court, Judge Ruiz has initiated efforts to educate the Hispanic and immigrant communities in the District of Columbia about the U.S. legal system and court proceedings and, conversely, to inform the court about the special concerns of those communities.

Judge Ruiz is a past NAWJ President and sits on the Board of Managerial Trustees of the International Association of Women Judges. Through NAWJ, she developed a curriculum for judicial education about immigrants in court and instituted an annual meeting between judicial leaders nationwide and women members of the United States Congress. Judge Ruiz is a member of the American Law Institute and a Trustee of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. She has served on the Executive Committee of the D.C. Council for Court Excellence, and chaired the Council's Public Service Committee.

At the time of her appointment to the court by President Clinton in 1994, she was Corporation Counsel (now Attorney General) for the District of Columbia. Previously, she had been in private law practice and served as in-house counsel advising clients on corporate and international transactions; she also participated pro bono in civil rights litigation. Judge Ruiz, who was born in San Juan, Puerto Rico, is a 1972 graduate of Wellesley College and a 1975 graduate of the Georgetown University Law Center.

## ANN RULE **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**



Ann Rule is regarded by many as the foremost true crime writer in America, and the author responsible for the genre as it exists today. She came to her career with a solid background in law enforcement and the criminal justice system. Both her grandfather and her uncle were Michigan sheriffs, her cousin was a Prosecuting Attorney and another uncle was the Medical Examiner. Raised in that environment, she grew up wanting to work in law enforcement herself. She is a former Seattle Policewoman, former caseworker for the Washington State Department of Public Assistance, former student intern at the Oregon State Training School for Girls.

Ann Rule was born in Lowell, Michigan on October 22. Her father, Chester R. Stackhouse, was a football, basketball and track coach. Her mother, Sophie Hansen Stackhouse, was a school-teacher who taught the developmentally disabled. The family moved often as "Stack" Stackhouse's coaching career bloomed. Ann now lives near Seattle, Washington, on the shores of Puget Sound. She is the mother of five, grandmother of eight.

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Ann graduated from Coatesville High School, and has a BA from the University of Washington in Creative Writing, with minors in psychology, criminology and penology. She has a PhD from Willamette University in Humane Letters. She studied two years at Highline Community College, taking courses in crime scene investigation, police administration, crime scene photography and arrest, search and seizure. She has attended every seminar that police organizations invite her to, including those on organized crime, arson, bomb search, DNA, etc. She has 30 hours credit at the University of Washington Medical School earned by attending the National Medical Examiners' Conference. She attended the King County Police Basic Homicide School. She would rather attend a trial than go to a Broadway play, and she estimates she has sat through at least seventy-five to a hundred homicide trials.

Today, she herself teaches seminars to many law enforcement and legal groups. She is a certified instructor in many states on subjects such as: Serial Murder, Sadistic Sociopaths, Women Who Kill, and High Profile Offenders. She was on the U.S. Justice Department Task Force that set up VI-CAP, the Violent Criminal Apprehension Program now in place at FBI Headquarters in Quantico, a computer tracking system to help identify and trap serial killers. She has testified twice before Senate Judiciary Sub-committees on victims' rights and on the danger of serial killers.

Currently, she is under contract to Simon & Schuster/Free Press and Pocket Books for six more books. 28 of Ann's 29 books have been on the New York Times' bestsellers list. MORTAL DANGER, #29, will be released in late November. Four of her books have been made into TV movies, and two more are in the works. She won the coveted Peabody Award for her miniseries, Small Sacrifices, and has two Anthony Awards from Bouchercon, the mystery fans' organization. She has been nominated four times for Edgar Awards from the Mystery Writers of America. She was also awarded the Washington State Governor's Award.

Ann is active in support groups for victims of violent crimes and their families, in the Y.W.C.A.'s program to help battered and abused women, and in Childhaven, a support group for children in danger.

Her website is [www.annrules.com](http://www.annrules.com)

## HONORABLE MARY M. SCHROEDER

Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit from December 2000 through November, 2007. Judge Schroeder has served on that court since 1979. She previously served on the Arizona Court of Appeals and practiced law in Phoenix. She is a graduate of Swarthmore College and the University of Chicago Law School. After graduation she was a trial lawyer in the Civil Division of the U.S. Department of Justice. Judge Schroeder has also taught at Arizona State University Law School and received its Distinguished Service Award. She has been an adjunct lecturer at Duke University Law School and has published articles and lectures in various law reviews. She is a member of the Council of the American Law Institute, a recipient of the Arizona State University College of Public Programs 2004 Distinguished Achievement Award, Arizona State Bar Association James A. Walsh Outstanding Jurist Award, the 2001 American Bar Association Margaret Brent Award, recipient of a Distinguished Honorary Alumna Convocation Award from the James E. Rogers College of Law, University of Arizona in 2005, and the Joan Dempsey Klein NAWJ Honoree of the Year Award in 2006. She has her chambers in Phoenix, Arizona.

## NORMAN SEPENUK

Norman Sepenuk graduated from Princeton University and Harvard Law School. He formerly served as a federal prosecutor with the Department of Justice in Washington, D.C. and as an Assistant United States Attorney in Portland. Following his entry into private law practice, Mr. Sepenuk has specialized in the defense of those accused of fraud and other white-collar crimes. He has served as a volunteer with the American Bar Association's Central and East European Law Initiative in Moldova, Uzbekistan and Bosnia. He also practices before the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia. He represented General Radislav Krstic of the Serbian army in his appeal from a genocide conviction in that Tribunal.

## HONORABLE CATHY HOLLENBERG SERRETTE

Judge Cathy Hollenberg Serrette, a Circuit Court Judge for the 7th Judicial Circuit of Maryland, is a member of the Maryland Court of Appeals Standing Committee on Pro Bono Legal Services, chair of the Maryland Judicial Conference Family Law Committee, district director for the National Association of Women Judges, chair of the Maryland Women's Bar Association's Pro Bono Committee, director on the boards of Community Legal Services of Prince George's County, the Prince George's County Bar Association, and Maryland's Pro Bono Resource Center, a member of the Prince George's County Local Pro Bono Committee, and an Advanced Science and Technology Adjudication Resource Fellow. She previously served as faculty for the Maryland Judicial Institute's Hague Convention on Civil Aspects of Child Family Abduction and Domestic Violence programs and the Maryland State Bar Association's Professionalism course, speaker at the Turkish Ministry of Justice's 2007 conference on the Hague Convention on Civil Aspects of Child Family Abduction, co-chair of the Prince George's County Circuit Court Task Force on Circuit Court Accessibility for the Latino Community, member of the Prince George's County Task Force on Police Accountability, president of the Prince George's County chapter of the Maryland Women's Bar Association, co-chair of Maryland Legal Services Partnership Conference, member of the Judicial Liaison Council on International Family Abduction, and an International Electoral Commission electoral monitor for South Africa's first nonracial election. Judge Serrette received a B.S., Phi Beta Kappa, summa cum laude, from the University of Pittsburgh, a J.D. from the National Law Center, George Washington University, and an LL.M. (international legal studies) from Washington College of Law.

## SUSAN SHAPIRO, PH. D.

Susan Shapiro is a sociologist and research professor at the American Bar Foundation. She is currently conducting observational research in two intensive care units investigating how surrogate decision makers make medical – often end-of-life – decisions for patients unable to speak for themselves. She is the author of *Tangled Loyalties: Conflict of Interest in Legal Practice* (University of Michigan Press), winner of the Distinguished Book Award of the Sociology of Law Section of the American Sociological Association, and *Wayward Capitalists: Target of the Securities and Exchange Commission* (Yale University Press). She has published numerous articles on impersonal trust, fiduciary relationships, ethics, surrogate decision making, white-collar crime, regulation, and the professions. Shapiro received her A.B. from the University of Michigan and Ph.D. from Yale and has served on the faculties of Northwestern and New York University.

## HONORABLE MARY W. SHEFFIELD

Judge Mary W. Sheffield is currently the Presiding Judge, for the 25th Judicial Circuit of Missouri, having served as a judge since 1982. She received her Doctor of Jurisprudence (JD) from the University of Miami Law School in Coral Gables, Florida, and received her BA from North Carolina State University at Raleigh, North Carolina. She is the former President of the National College of Probate Judges and past President of the Blue Ridge Institute for Juvenile and Family Law Judges. Judge Sheffield represented the United States, in 2003, at the request of The State Department at a U.S.-German Conference in the Netherlands at The Hague Convention on International Child Abduction and in Malta in 2005. In August 2008, Judge Sheffield joined 3 other United States judges serving as designated Hague Network Judges for the United States. She co-founded the Russell House in Phelps County, which provides shelter and court advocacy services to victims of domestic violence. Judge Sheffield, in addition to serving on the Judicial Education Committee for the Missouri Supreme Court, was also appointed by the Missouri Supreme Court to chair the Missouri Family Court Committee. As a result, the 25th Judicial Circuit was recently selected by the Missouri Supreme Court to be a pilot project utilizing collaborative efforts to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the Juvenile and Family Court system. She is currently serving as the Missouri Family Court Committee Chairperson.

## PETER SHEPHERD

Pete Shepherd has been the Deputy Attorney General in the Oregon Department of Justice (DOJ) since January, 2001. The Deputy is authorized, when the Attorney General is “unavailable,” to exercise all of the powers that accompany the office of Attorney General.

Pete entered public service in 1983 after attending the University of Oregon law school and spending two years in private practice. He served first as assistant to a state senator and then as a Marion County Deputy District Attorney responsible for prosecuting cases running the gamut from offensive littering to aggravated murder. He has served at the pleasure of four Attorneys General in various capacities since joining DOJ in 1987: Assistant Attorney General in the Organized Crime Section under Attorneys General Frohmayer and Crookham; Attorney-In-Charge of the Financial Fraud/Consumer Protection Section under Attorney General Kulongoski; Special Counsel to Attorney General Hardy Myers; and Deputy Attorney General. Among other assignments, Pete was a member of Governor Kitzhaber’s Mental Health Alignment Task Force and served on Governor Kitzhaber’s Security Council. He is a past member of two Oregon State Bar Executive Committees (Criminal Law and Consumer Law) and of the Willamette Valley Inns of Court (2002 – 2006). In 2004, Pete won election to the House of Delegates of the Oregon State Bar; he is now in his second three-year term.

Pete current resides in Salem where he is a volunteer “judge” for the Salem Teen Court program (since 1999) and a volunteer instructor in the Start Making A Reader Today (SMART) program (since spring of 2006).

He is an ex officio member of the Board of Directors of Oregon 150, a nonprofit organization charged with planning elements of the sesquicentennial commemoration of Oregon statehood. Pete spends his spare time with his wife enjoying the great fly fishing and wide-open spaces of the West.

## HONORABLE JANICE M. STEWART

Judge Janice M. Stewart, A.B. graduated with honors from Stanford University in 1972 and J.D., University of Chicago in 1975. She is a member of the Illinois State Bar since 1975 and the Oregon State Bar since 1977. She was a former partner at McEwen, Gisvold, Rankin & Stewart, Portland from 1976 to 1993, a private practice focused on business litigation, real property disputes, employment discrimination, federal and state securities litigation, contracts, negligence, fraud, and attorney malpractice. Judge Stewart is currently on the 9th Circuit Magistrate Judge's Executive Committee and the 9th Circuit Conference Executive Committee. She has been a co-chair, MBA Professionalism Committee from 1995-2002, secretary for the OSB Federal Practice and Procedure Committee from 1996 to 2003, master of the Gus J. Solomon Chapter, American Inns of Court from 1988 to 1992. Her other involvements have included chair, OSB Professionalism Committee, OSB Procedure and Practice Committee, OSB Professional Responsibility Board, MBA Professional Responsibility Committee, director, MBA and member, Multnomah County Judicial Selection Committee.

## HONORABLE J. E. SULLIVAN

Judge J. E. Sullivan has served as a Administrative Law Judge for the U.S. Social Security Administration in Morgantown, WV since April 2008. She is an active member of both the National Association of Women Judges (NAWJ) and the National Association of Administrative Law Judges (NAALJ).

From July 1999 through March 2008, Judge Sullivan served as an Industrial Appeals Judge with the Washington State Board of Industrial Insurance Appeals (BIIA), where she presided over hearings on business tax assessments and insurance classifications, worker’s compensation and fraud, medical provider license revocations, and crime victim compensation appeals.

From 1989 through June 1999, Judge Sullivan served regularly as a pro tem Superior Court Judge and pro tem Superior Court Commissioner on civil and criminal cases for Snohomish County Superior Court in Washington State. She also served as a Snohomish County Superior Court arbitrator (1991-1999), a pro tem District Court Judge for the four Snohomish County District Courts (1991-1998), and as a private mediator and arbitrator (1991-1999). In 1992 she served as a member of the Washington State Supreme Court’s Gender and Justice Commission, and was a contributing author to the 1992 Superior Court Judges’ Manual on Domestic Violence.

From September 1998-1991, Judge Sullivan served as the first Attorney Supervisor for the District Court trial division at the Snohomish County Public Defender’s Office. Prior to September 1998 she litigated both criminal and civil cases, serving for

two years as a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney with the Snohomish County Prosecutor's Office (1986-1988) and for two years as a criminal defense trial attorney for the Snohomish County Defender's Office (1984-1986).

Judge Sullivan has been a guest speaker for the NAWJ, the NAALJ, the BIIA, the University of Washington's School of Law, and for the Washington State Bar Association. She has also been a guest speaker at a variety of CLE seminars, as well as for various public and private organizations.

## HONORABLE RICHARD B. TEITELMAN

Judge Richard B. Teitelman graduated from the Washington University School of Law in St. Louis, Missouri. He served on the Missouri Court of Appeals beginning in 1998. In February 2002, Judge Teitelman was appointed to the Missouri Supreme Court. Judge Teitelman was retained in the 2004 general election for a 12-year term. He is the first legally blind and first Jewish judge to serve on Missouri's highest court. Before becoming a judge, he served for twenty-three years at Legal Services of Eastern Missouri, with almost eighteen of those years as Executive Director and General Counsel. His dedication to under-represented people has earned him many honors, including the Missouri Bar President's Award. He is past chair of the ABA's Commission on Mental and Physical Disabilities Law. He serves as the ABA Appellate Judges Conference representative on the Judicial Division Judges Network Steering Committee. Appointed to the ABA, Judicial Division, Standing Committee on Minorities in the Judiciary, 2007. Member, Appellate Judicial Education Institute; Appellate Judicial Council. Member, American Bar Association's Appellate Judges Conference and the Standing Committee for Pro Bono and Public Service. He received the American Bar Association's Legislative Advocacy Award for 2007. He received the Ethical Humanist of the Year award from the Ethical Society of St. Louis in 2008.

## SUSAN WILLIS TOLLE, MD

Dr. Susan Tolle is a graduate of the Oregon Health & Science University. After graduating AOA from OHSU, she completed her internal medicine residency at Univ. of California, San Diego, where she was also chief resident. She later completed a fellowship in clinical medical ethics at the University of Chicago.

Dr. Tolle founded and has directed the OHSU Center for Ethics in Health Care since 1989, and has shepherded its growth into an internationally-recognized ethics center, with programs such as the Physicians Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (POLST) program. She holds the Cornelia Hayes Stevens Endowed Chair in Health Care Ethics. Dr. Tolle is a professor of medicine in the OHSU School of Medicine and a clinical professor in the OHSU Schools of Nursing and Dentistry. She is Board Certified in Internal Medicine and is a practicing internist in the OHSU Division of General Medicine and Geriatrics. Dr. Tolle has been the principal investigator on more than 100 funded grants and has authored more than 130 peer-reviewed publications. She is a frequent speaker on medical ethics and end-of-life decision making.

## MARTINA E. VANDENBERG

Martina E. Vandenberg is an associate in Jenner & Block's Washington, DC office. She is a member of the Firm's Litigation Department. She has an active pro bono practice, representing victims of human trafficking and providing legal advice to institutions seeking to combat this human rights scourge. She has spoken nationally and internationally on trafficking and has testified on the subject before the House Armed Services Committee and several NATO conferences.

Martina Vandenberg, a Rhodes Scholar and a Truman Scholar, graduated *cum laude* from Pomona College in 1990 with a bachelor's degree in international relations. She received a master's degree in Russian and East European Studies from Oxford University in 1992. She graduated from Columbia Law School in 2000, where she was named a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar, and has served as an adjunct faculty member at American University.

Martina Vandenberg is admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, and the U.S. District Courts for Maryland and the District of Columbia. She is a member of the New York and the District of Columbia bars.

## MICHELE VIVONA

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Since joining LexisNexis® in 1988, Ms. Vivona has also held a variety of sales and sales management positions within the law firm, government and law school markets.

Prior to joining LexisNexis®, Ms. Vivona held several technical positions with software development companies providing technology and business solutions to the manufacturing and transportation industries.

Ms. Vivona has also served her community through various organizations. She has served on the board of Public Counsel in Los Angeles, and currently serves on the foundation board of the Northwest Women's Law Center in Seattle, Washington. Ms. Vivona holds a BS in Engineering Mathematics with an emphasis in Geophysical Engineering from the Colorado School of Mines in Golden, Colorado. She is also an alumnus of the Stanford Executive Business Program.

## HONORABLE BRIAN WATKINS

Industrial Appeals Judge Brian Watkins presides over worker's compensation, industrial safety, and crime victim compensation hearings for the Washington State Board of Industrial Insurance Appeals. Prior to joining the BIIA, Brian served as Lead Administrative Law Judge with the Washington State Office of Administrative Hearings, and worked as an attorney with the Northwest Justice Project. He is a former president of the Washington Association of Administrative Law Judges and former board member of the National Association of Administrative Law Judges. He received a J.D. from Texas Wesleyan University School of Law; and a B.A. in History from University of Texas at Arlington.

## MERLE H. WEINER

Merle H. Weiner is the Philip H. Knight Professor of Law at the University of Oregon School of Law. She is a graduate of Dartmouth College (B.A.), Cambridge University (LL.M.), and Harvard Law School (J.D.). Professor Weiner's scholarship has focused on the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of the International Child Abduction and, in particular, its impact on victims of domestic violence who are fleeing transnationally with their children for safety. She has written seven articles on the Convention. She is also the co-author of the first U.S. casebook on comparative and international family law. Professor Weiner has served an expert witness in cases involving the Convention, she attended the Fifth Meeting of the Special Commission to Review Operation of the Convention as a delegate of the International Society of Family Law, and she has spoken to judges about the Convention at trainings sponsored by National Council on Juvenile and Family Court Judges and the Washington State judiciary. She currently sits on the National Advisory Board for the Hague Domestic Violence Project, funded by the National Institute of Justice. In addition, Professor Weiner was a founder of the University of Oregon's Domestic Violence Clinic, and has been active in its operation since 1999. In 2007, the local Soroptimist chapter awarded Professor Weiner the Making A Difference for Women Award.

## HONORABLE BETTY J. WILLIAMS

Judge Betty J. Williams, elected Civil Court Judge, assigned to Kings County Criminal Court, presides in the Misdemeanor Brooklyn Treatment Court (MBTC) in Kings County Criminal Court, where long term substance abuse offenders are given the opportunity to receive treatment instead of incarceration. Judge Williams is a Co-Chairperson of the National Association of Women Judges (NAWJ), Women in Prison Committee, Chairperson of the Legislative Sub-Committee, New York State NAWJ, and the immediate past Chairperson of the New York State NAWJ Women in Prison Committee. She is a Board Member of the New York Chapter of the National Association of Women Judges, the

Metropolitan Black Bar Association, the Downtown Brooklyn Waterfront Local Development Corporation, and the Community Advisory Board of Bayview Correctional Facility. In addition to her many Bar Association memberships, Judge Williams is a member of the Judicial Friends, the World Community of Social Workers, the Church Women United and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. Judge Williams has received numerous awards, including the National Sojourner Truth Meritorious Service Award, the Whitney M. Young Jr. Equal Justice for Children Service Award, the New York City Department of Education Leadership Award, the New York Law School Black Students Association Outstanding Achievement Award, and the North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University Alumni Association's Julia S. Brook Achievement Award. Judge Williams was the first woman in New York State to be awarded the Abraham Markoff Scholarship Award from the New York State Bar Association, Workmen's Compensation Division. She is a graduate of the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, Greensboro, North Carolina, received her law degree from New York Law School, and holds a Master's Degree in Social Work from Columbia University. Judge Williams, the oldest of six children, was born in Hodges, South Carolina, has one son and three granddaughters, the joy of her life.

## HONORABLE LAURIE D. ZELON

Judge Laurie D. Zelon serves as an associate justice of the California Court of Appeal.

She was born in Durham, North Carolina. She received her B.A. degree in 1974 from Cornell University with distinction in all subjects, and her J.D. degree in 1977 from Harvard Law School. She was admitted to the California Bar in 1977. Judge Zelon joined Morrison & Foerster as a partner in 1991 where, prior to her appointment to the Superior Court in 2000, she had an active litigation practice, involving scientific and technical issues, fiduciary obligations, and other complex commercial disputes.

Judge Zelon is past President of the Los Angeles County Bar Association. She is a past member of its Board of Trustees, and past Chair of its Federal Courts Committee, its Judiciary Committee, its Access to Justice Committee and its subsection on Real Estate Litigation. She is past Chair of the Lawyer Representatives from the Central District of California to the Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference. She also holds memberships in the Women Lawyers' Association of Los Angeles and the California Women Lawyers Association. She has spoken at numerous seminars and conferences concerning pro bono, public services, and legal education.

## RICHARD ZORZA

Richard Zorza is an attorney and independent consultant who has worked for the past fifteen years on issues of access to justice. He is the coordinator of the national Self Represented Litigation Network, see [www.selfhelpsupport.org](http://www.selfhelpsupport.org), acts as a consultant to the Harvard Law School Bellow-Sacks Project on the Future of Access to Civil Justice, [www.bellowsacks.org](http://www.bellowsacks.org), and works in support of the national LawHelp network of access to justice websites, [www.lawhelp.org](http://www.lawhelp.org). He was a contributor to the recently published California Bench Guide on self represented cases. His book, *The Self-Help Friendly Court: Designed from the Ground Up to Work for People Without Lawyers*, was published by the National Center for State Courts in 2002. He writes and speaks broadly on access to justice and ethics issues, including an article on judicial neutrality in self-represented litigant cases in the Georgetown Journal of Legal Ethics. He coordinated the National Judicial Conference on Self-Represented Litigation held at Harvard Law School in November of 2007. Additional information and publications are available on his website, [www.zorza.net](http://www.zorza.net).

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JUSTICE JOAN DEMPSEY KLEIN  
HONOREE OF THE YEAR AWARD

## HONORABLE BERNICE BOUIE DONALD

United States District Court, Western Tennessee



It is with great pleasure and a deep sense of honor that the National Association of Women Judges names the Honorable Bernice Bouie Donald its Honoree of the Year. This Award is given each year in the name of our founding mother Joan Dempsey Klein.

Justice Klein has been on the California Court of Appeal since 1978, the year of NAWJ's founding. A judge since 1963, Justice Klein is known for her independence and refusal to accept stereotypical sex roles. She has worked throughout her life to encourage women to seek political power and is a fierce advocate of a fully diverse judiciary. Her vision led to the founding of NAWJ and to mobilizing NAWJ's organizational strength to help ensure that the first woman was appointed to the Supreme Court. As NAWJ's first President, she addressed the Senate Judiciary committee considering Sandra Day O'Connor's appointment as the first woman on the Supreme Court of the United States, saying: "the appointment of a woman to assume a rightful seat on the highest court has had top priority on our agenda. . . . As timely as we consider this appointment to be, and as eager as we are to have such an appointment become a reality, we are emphatic that the woman selected be of the highest caliber." Justice Klein has continued throughout her illustrious career, to promote the advancement of women in all aspects of the legal profession. Not only did she found NAWJ, but she was a founder of the California Women Lawyers and of the International Association of Women Judges.

Judge Bernice Bouie Donald's own career and leadership in various organizations, including in particular that of the National Association of Women Judges, makes her a fitting a recipient of this recognition. Judge Donald has served in vital leadership roles in every organization in which she has been a member, including the American Bar Association in which she presently serves as Secretary, as well as the Association of Women Attorneys, and the Tennessee, Memphis and National Bar Associations. As chair of the Memphis Diversity Institute and as former Chair of the ABA Commission on Opportunities for Minorities in the Legal Profession, Judge Donald has worked tirelessly to advance women and minorities in the legal profession. And, of course, as an active and inspirational leader on NAWJ's Executive Committee, and its 11th President, Judge Donald continues in the proud tradition inaugurated by Joan Dempsey Klein, to raise our collective voice to secure the appointment of women to the bench and promote their advancement to leadership roles.

To the over one hundred awards and honors Bernice Bouie Donald has already received, the National Association of Women Judges proudly adds another. Congratulations on your selection as NAWJ's 2008 Honoree of the Year.



# VAINO SPENCER LEADERSHIP AWARD

## HONORABLE VANESSA RUIZ

Judge, District of Columbia Court of Appeals



A judge since 1961, Justice Vaino Spencer was California's first African-American woman judge and one of only a handful of women judges at that time. Appointed to the 93-member California Court of Appeal in 1980, she was for many years the sole African-American woman on that court. An excellent jurist, she is an inspiring groundbreaker who fought for gender equity in the legal profession and to increase the numbers of women appointed to the bench

Justice Vaino Spencer has made significant and long-lasting contributions to the advancement of women in the profession, one of the core missions of NAWJ, and she has long been an outstanding leader in the organization. The Vaino Spencer Leadership Award is made by the President in recognition of outstanding leadership in promoting the vision, core values and mission of NAWJ, as exemplified by Justice Spencer's career.

As a distinguished jurist who is also active in a number of organizations that promote equal access to justice and the rule of law, the Honorable Vanessa Ruiz has made significant and long-lasting contributions to the advancement of women in the profession and this award is made in recognition of all she has done as an outstanding leader of NAWJ. A Lifetime Member of NAWJ Judge Ruiz has not only been an active member of NAWJ since 1996, and a member of its Executive Board in the capacities of President, President-Elect, VP of Publications, Secretary and Treasurer, but she has distinguished herself as a leader in each role as she steered the organization through difficult times. Judge Ruiz secured funding for one of NAWJ's emblematic, cutting edge educational programs, "Removing Obstacles to Justice for Immigrants" -- a significant educational program for judges that Judge Ruiz developed and that has been presented all over the country. Under her leadership, NAWJ hired a new executive director with whom she worked closely to promote NAWJ's mission and core values, as did other Presidents who came after her. As a representative of NAWJ, Judge Ruiz gave countless speeches and served on innumerable panels; as President, she wrote to appointing bodies to encourage the appointment of women and minorities to the bench; her letters to the editor shed light on important issues of the day including 'And Then There Was One: With or Without Samuel Alito Jr., the Supreme Court Must Value Gender Diversity' published in the Legal Times.

Judge Vanessa Ruiz has advanced NAWJ's goal of increased collaboration with others in the justice system and it is as a result of her vision NAWJ has maintained close ties to our sister organization the International Association of Women. Judge Ruiz was, additionally, instrumental in launching NAWJ's synergistic relationship with the members of the Congressional Women's Caucus; our Third Annual Lunch and meetings with the women in our country's legislature was held this summer. Judge Ruiz's vision gave new life to our organization, and she has continued to support NAWJ and the advancement of women through her continued participation, most recently as chair of the nominating committee, and currently as a member of the Executive Director Search Committee. Like Vaino Spencer, Vanessa Ruiz's leadership of NAWJ has resulted in long-lasting contributions to advancing the goals and mission of the organization and NAWJ is consummately proud to name her the 2008 recipient of this Award.

# MATTIE BELLE DAVIS AWARD

## HONORABLE SUE PAI YANG

Judge, Workers Compensation Court of Newark, New Jersey



The Mattie Belle Davis Award recognizes a member who has gone above and beyond his or her role as a member and volunteer, to help make a difference in the organization and further its mission, as did its namesake, the Honorable Mattie Belle Davis. The Award also is made in recognition of the recipient's dedication to furthering and supporting women in the legal profession.

Since assuming office as a Judge of the New Jersey Worker's Compensation Court six years ago, the Honorable Sue Pai Yang has been consistent and indefatigable in her efforts. As District 3 Director she brought renewed energy to the District with innovative educational programming and initiatives that help to advance women in the judiciary, including the panel on Bullying in the Workplace (a 21st Century emerging issue that Judge Yang brought to our 2006 Annual Conference and also presented at Rutgers University and other places), NAWJ's Bankruptcy Program, and the Genome Justice Program to name just a few.

Judge Yang's programs have also included outreach to and education of the public about the role of an independent judiciary, and, she has collaborated with other justice groups, non-profit community groups and others to achieve NAWJ's mission. She has participated at all levels of the organization, attending NAWJ events around the country, as well as events around the world through membership in our sister organization, the International Association of Women Judges. Judge Yang has served in several capacities to further our goal of providing cutting-edge education to judges, advancing women and minorities in the profession and defending an independent judiciary. As District 3 Director, as chair of the International Judges Committee of the NAWJ 2007 Annual Conference, and most recently as a member of the Nominating Committee, Judge Sue Pai Yang has made many contributions of time and talent.

Like those of Mattie Belle Davis', Sue Pai Yang contributions far transcend her role as a member to advance NAWJ's historic mission, and NAWJ is proud and honored to name her the 2008 recipient of this wonderful Award.

# FLORENCE K. MURRAY AWARD

## Drucilla Stender Ramey

National Association of Women Judges Executive Director

The NAWJ Awards Committee is proud to bestow the Florence K. Murray award upon Drucilla Stender Ramey, NAWJ's nonpareil (Dru's favorite adjective for someone or something truly and amazingly superior, and so apt here) Executive Director, who will be leaving NAWJ at the close of the conference.

Dru's career is marked by her ability to transform organizations to higher levels of aspiration and achievement, and her unique constellation of talents, abilities and personal attributes have been instrumental in taking NAWJ to a new level of national prominence, achievement and fiscal health.



Dru is a magna cum laude graduate of Harvard College and Yale Law School with a background as a civil rights litigator and tenured law school professor who had for 17 years served as the renowned Executive Director and General Counsel of the Bar Association of San Francisco. Under Dru, the BASF developed nationally recognized leadership in the provision of legal services to the poor (which caused the San Francisco Chronicle to dub her the "Robin Hood of the San Francisco legal community"); and in its efforts to diversify the legal profession. Her ability to work collaboratively with others helped to transform other important institutions under her leadership, including the ACLU of Northern California and the San Francisco Commission on the Status of Women. Before coming to NAWJ, Dru's achievements were recognized by dozens of organizations, including the American Bar Association, which bestowed its most prestigious recognition for women leaders, the Margaret Brent Award, to her in 1997; the American Jewish Committee, which honored her with its Learned Hand Award; and the National Bar Association, from whom she received the Wiley Branton Award. Her influence was far reaching and her energy and commitment boundless and California's most influential lawyers aptly called her a "one person maelstrom of activity".

But it is for Dru's achievements on behalf of NAWJ that the Florence K. Murray award is given. Dru came to NAWJ at a difficult time in its history. Despite a talented and determined Board, NAWJ faced financial instability, and a lack of organizational momentum. Dru quickly put into place a number of programs that created a catalyst for what was to become a period of marked national prominence, active membership participation, and collaboration with others in the justice system.

Her first act was to secure funding for a new NAWJ Access to Justice Scholarship Program, which has been instrumental in our judicial and community outreach programs across the country — from Boston, Massachusetts to Jackson, Mississippi to Anchorage, Alaska. Perhaps most critical was Dru's inauguration of the NAWJ Landmark Sponsor Program. Major law firms and corporations who become Landmark Sponsors pledged substantial support for NAWJ. In addition to financial support they commit two of their leading litigators to serve on the NAWJ Resource Board, which has become a large and robust entity with representatives from well over 30 major law firms, corporations and individuals across the country. Collaboration with these inspirational leaders on our Resource Board has greatly enriched the work of NAWJ.

By increasing NAWJ's national profile, Dru has been instrumental in amplifying NAWJ's voice; she has worked closely with each President to recognize when NAWJ should speak out to advance NAWJ's goal of an independent and diverse judiciary, through letters to the editors of various media outlets, including the New York Times, and letters to those tasked with making judicial appointments to encourage the appointment of women and minorities. Dru's commitment to collaboration with others in the justice system was a significant component of NAWJ's successful work with the Congressional Women's Caucus. Recognizing needed changes to the Model Code of Judicial Conduct, Dru promoted NAWJ's successful push to ensure that amendments to the Model Code of Judicial Conduct were instituted in a way that would promote judicial participation in community outreach. Dru championed NAWJ's promulgation of the Judicial Diversity Report Card Project. In sum, Dru's impact on NAWJ has been catalytic.

The Florence K. Murray Award is NAWJ's highest recognition of someone, not a judge, who exemplifies outstanding achievement in influencing women to pursue legal careers, opening doors for women attorneys, or advancing opportunities for women within the legal profession and it is justly bestowed on Drucilla Stender Ramey.

Florence K. Murray Award

# PRESIDENT'S AWARD



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Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP is a preeminent global law firm specializing in complex corporate transactions, novel finance, litigation and tax matters, and, most relevant to NAWJ, service to the community. Orrick's historic and profound commitment to public service and equality of opportunity has gained it well deserved recognition from an enormous variety of organizations ranging from minority bar associations, the National Legal Aid and Public Defender Association and the Human Rights Campaign to the Legal Aid Society of New York and Working Mother Magazine. Most recently, the American Bar Association awarded Orrick its 2008 National Public Service Award.

NAWJ owes an enormous debt of gratitude to Orrick, which was a founding, and now renewing, Platinum Landmark Sponsor Firm, whose representatives on the Resource Board have worked tirelessly in support of NAWJ's program and mission. We are especially grateful for the indefatigable efforts of Karen Johnson-McKewan, an outstanding litigator who serves as Orrick's San Francisco Office Leader. Karen not only serves as Co-Chair of the Resource Board, but has also devoted her own and her office's substantial resources to assisting NAWJ in making the Judicial Gender Diversity Report Card Project a reality. Thanks to Karen's dedication, and our invaluable partnership with Foerster-Long, NAWJ is finally able to track, and implement strategies to ameliorate, comparative patterns of representation of women in every state and federal trial and appellate court in the nation.

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WilmerHale is more than 1,000 lawyers strong, with offices in 11 cities in the United States, Europe and Asia. The firm's lawyers provide global representation in the areas of litigation, securities, regulation, intellectual property and corporate transactions.

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Karen Green, a WilmerHale partner and leader in the Boston legal community, has been an indefatigable supporter of NAWJ as a member of the Resource Board, a member of the Boston Friends Committee and a founding member of the NAWJ Task Force. She has contributed her intellect and countless hours of her time to the development of proposals submitted to Harvard Law School and to NALP addressing retention and attrition of women and minorities. Because NAWJ believes that a fully diverse bench depends on the advancement of women in the profession, we are enormously grateful to Karen and to WilmerHale for collaborating with NAWJ to promote ways to address this matter of crucial concern to all who seek justice.

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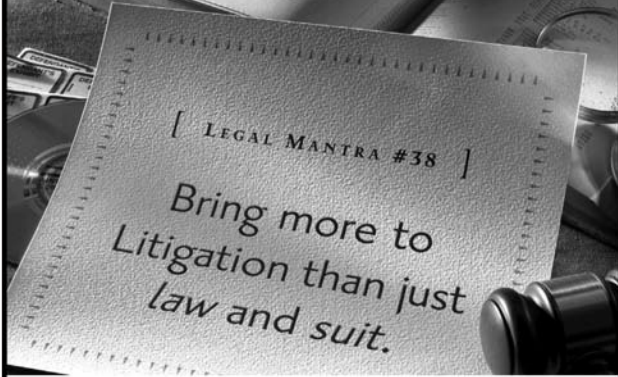


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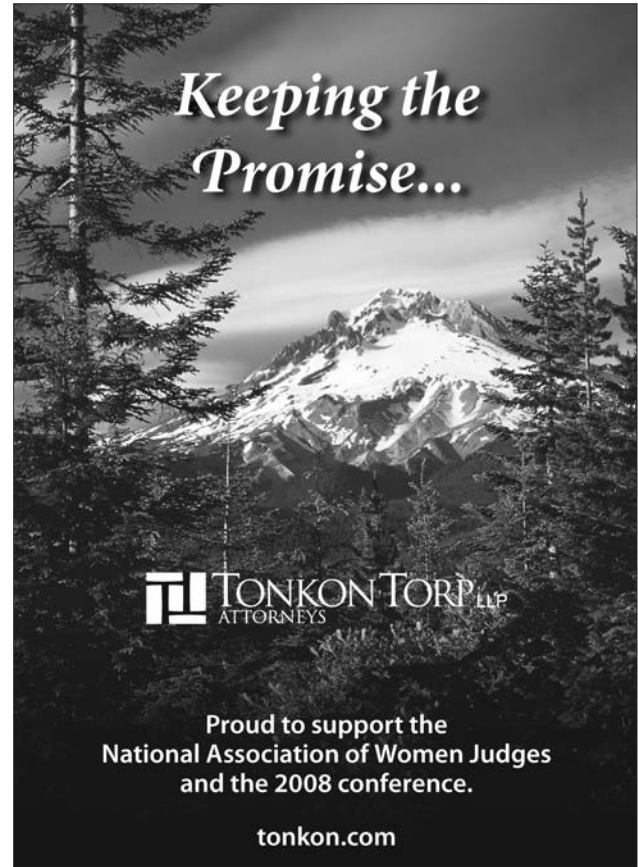


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