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Member, Greenbelt Advisory Planning Board, 1975-78. Assistant Attorney General, 1983-2000. Arbitrator, Health Claims Arbitration Office, 1984-2000. Member, Health Fraud Task Force, U.S. Attorney's Office, 1998-2000. *Born in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, June 18, 1943. Attended St. Joseph's School for Girls, Pennsylvania; University of Maryland College Park, B.S. (psychology), magna cum laude, 1976; University of Baltimore School of Law, J.D., cum laude, 1981. Admitted to Maryland Bar, 1981. Member, American Bar Association, 1981-; Maryland State Bar Association (membership committee; chair, public awareness committee, 1987-89; faculty, professionalism course for new admittees, 2002-; member, professionalism & membership committee; past member, health law section); Prince George's County Bar Association (board of directors, 2004-05; past member, medical-legal liaison committee); Women's Bar Association of Maryland, 1981-86, 1996- (membership committee, 1996-98; judicial selections committee, 1997-99). Member, National Association of Women Judges, 2001-; International Association of Women Judges, 2001-. Board of Trustees, Maryland Institute for Continuing Professional Education of Lawyers (MICPEL), 1999-2000 (instructor, 1994-). Law student mentor, 1995-. Board of Executive Directors, University of Maryland Summer Institute for the Performing Arts, 1999-2001. Board of Directors, Prince George's County Chapter, University of Maryland Alumni Association, 1988-96, 2005-. Adjunct Professor, University of Baltimore School of Law, 1989. Exceptional Service Award, Office of Attorney General, 1997.*

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