

## **Wisconsin Courts Matter: Wisconsin 2023 Elections Thursday February 9<sup>th</sup> 6:30 – 7:45 PM**

### **About Our Speakers**

#### **Justice Janine P. Geske**



Justice Janine P. Geske currently serves as the Director of the Andrew Center for Restorative Justice and as a Distinguished Professor of Law at Marquette University Law School. She is on sabbatical as a member of the Marquette University Board of Trustees. In the fall of 2011, she served as a Visiting Professor of law at the Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium in Restorative Justice at its Institute of Criminology. She served as interim dean of Marquette Law School from July 2002 to July 2003 and as interim Milwaukee County Executive from February 28 to May 6, 2002. She previously served on the Wisconsin Supreme Court from 1993-1998. From 1981-1993, she was a Milwaukee County Circuit Court judge. Prior to becoming a judge, she served as chief staff attorney for the Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee and then as clinical director and assistant professor of law at Marquette University.

Justice Geske graduated from Beloit College with a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Masters of Arts in Teaching and received her J.D. from Marquette University Law School. Special Recognitions: Selected for 2005 through 2021 as one of "The Best Lawyers in America" for her work in dispute resolution

### **Monica Murphy, Civil Rights Attorney**



Monica has practiced law for over 35 years in the area of civil rights. The last 28 were at Disability Rights Wisconsin advocating for the rights of people with disabilities in the areas of employment, special education, and all areas of the Americans with Disabilities Act.. She has handled cases before both state and federal courts including appeals to the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals and the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

### **Martha Chambers, disability rights advocate**



Martha is an advocate for disability rights. In recent years, she has taken an active role in advocating for voting rights and access. Martha will discuss how decisions by Wisconsin courts have impacted her right to vote, including her role as a plaintiff in the 2022 Carey v. WEC case which addressed the rights of disabled voters to assistance with mailing or returning their ballot. Following a horseback riding accident nearly 28 years ago, Martha is paralyzed from the neck down, unable to use her arms or legs. She is very independent and able to use mouth sticks to operate remotes, a keyboard on a laptop, and writing. Since her injury, she has worked in the nonprofit world assisting people with disabilities to obtain resources. Recently, she has worked closely with Disability Rights Wisconsin on voting rights issues. Her main focus has always been to be a voice for those who do not have one.