



JUSTICE
MAURA D. CORRIGAN

Term expires January 1, 2015

Justice Maura Corrigan has served on the Michigan Supreme Court since 1999, including four years, from 2001-2005, as Chief Justice.

She graduated from Marygrove College and the University of Detroit-Mercy School of Law. She then became a law clerk to Michigan Court of Appeals Judge John Gillis, a Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor, and an Assistant United States Attorney in Detroit. She was first appointed the Chief of Appeals and later, Chief Assistant United States Attorney, the first woman to hold that position. Justice Corrigan became a partner at the Detroit law firm of Plunkett & Cooney in 1989. From 1992 to 1998, she served on the Michigan Court of Appeals, the last 2 years as Chief Judge.

Justice Corrigan participates in numerous community and professional activities. She was chosen as commissioner of the Pew Commission on Children in Foster Care and a vice-president of the Conference of Chief Justices. She was appointed to the Michigan Law Revision Commission, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit Attorney Advisory Committee, and the Rules Committee of the U.S. District Court in Detroit. She served on the Executive Board of the Michigan Judges Association and the Advisory Board of the Center for Law and Organizational Economics at the University of Kansas. She also volunteered on the board of Boysville of Michigan (now Holy Cross). She currently is a director of Vista Maria in Dearborn Heights, Michigan. She also is a member of the Federalist Society. She has been president of the Incorporated Society of Irish American Lawyers, the Federal Bar Association in Detroit, and MSU Inns of Court.

Justice Corrigan has won numerous awards, including: Michigan Children's Award (2008); Powerful Women of Purpose Award (2008); U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for Innovative Partnerships (OCS) Award (2008); Spectrum Human Services Chairman's Award (2006); Michigan Family Support Council Judicial Award (2006); Police Officers Association of Michigan Jurist of the Year Award (2006); Incorporated Society of Irish American Lawyers' Tiger Thornton Award (2006); Vista Maria's Child Advocate of the Year Award (2005); the Congressional Coalition on Adoption "Angels in Adoption" Award (2005); the *Detroit News* Michiganian of the Year Award (2005); the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (OCS) Award for significant improvements to Michigan's Child Support Enforcement Program (2002); the Federal Bar Association's Leonard Gilman Award to the Outstanding Practitioner of Criminal Law (1989), and the U.S. Department of Justice Director's Award for Outstanding Performance as an Assistant U.S. Attorney (1985).

Justice Corrigan holds honorary doctorates from 6 Michigan colleges and universities: Eastern Michigan, Michigan State, Northern Michigan, University of Detroit-Mercy, Wayne State, and Schoolcraft College. She has been chosen as the Outstanding Alumna of UD-Mercy Law School and Marygrove College. She has coauthored a treatise on civil procedure and has published many articles in professional journals and books, including the *Ave Maria Law Review*, *Wayne Law Review*, *University of Toledo Law Review*, *NYU Law Review* and the *Texas Review of Law and Politics*. She has taught as an adjunct professor at Wayne State University Law School and at programs for the Michigan Judicial Institute, the American Bar Association, the Federal Bar Association, and the Attorney General's Advocacy Institute.

Justice Corrigan is the widow of Wayne State University Distinguished Professor of Law Joseph D. Grano and is the mother of Daniel, an attorney with Flood, Lanctot in Royal Oak and member of Grosse Pointe Park City Council, and his wife, Marianne, a Presbyterian minister; Megan, an alumna of Chicago's Second City, who is an actress, comedian, and writer in Los Angeles, and her husband, Michael Canale, who works in the business end of the entertainment industry.