

## **Jill J. Karofsky**

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### **EXPERIENCE**

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#### ***DANE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT - MADISON, WISCONSIN***

**August 2017-Present**                      **Circuit Court Judge**

- Preside over criminal court cases from arraignment through jury trial, sentencing and post-conviction hearings.
- Preside over family, small claims, and injunction cases.

#### ***WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE - MADISON, WISCONSIN***

**January 2011-July 2017**                      **Executive Director - Office of Crime Victim Services**

- Directed and managed the Office of Crime Victim Services staff responsible for providing support to crime victims throughout Wisconsin.
- Supervised the administration of over \$40 million in state and federal grant funds designed to provide aid to crime victims, including grants provided by the Victims of Crime Act, Violence Against Women Act, Sexual Assault Victim Services Program, Sexual Assault Forensic Exam Program and Children's Justice Act.
- Supervised the Wisconsin Victim Resource Center which is responsible for assisting local victim/witness agencies and individual victims.
- Oversaw the Crime Victim Compensation Program which provides more than \$4 million in compensation to eligible crime victims in Wisconsin annually.
- Provided training and assistance to law enforcement, prosecutors, judges, advocates, victim/witness staff, and other criminal justice professionals to assist them in protecting victims and their rights.
- Represented the Department of Justice on numerous statewide task forces, coalitions, and committees.
- Serve on the Attorney General's Executive Staff.

**March 2010-December 2010**                      **Assistant Attorney General - Violence Against Women Resource Prosecutor**

- Provided training, education, and technical support to Wisconsin prosecutors to enhance their capability to effectively prosecute sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking, and related offenses.

#### ***UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN LAW SCHOOL - MADISON, WISCONSIN***

**2005-Present**                                      **Adjunct Professor**

- Teach courses *Victims in the Criminal Justice System* and *Trial Advocacy*.

#### ***NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF BAR EXAMINERS - MADISON, WISCONSIN***

**2005-2010**    **Director of Human Resources and Counsel**

- Managed the legal and human resources operations of the organization.
- Identified and analyzed legal issues, assisted with litigation, and assured legal compliance.
- Planned, directed, and coordinated all human resource management activities.

**2001-2005**

**Director of Education**

- Developed and administered all educational programming for the National Conference, including organizing national seminars, focusing on issues in bar admissions for bar administrators, bar examiners, and state Supreme Court justices.

**DANE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE - MADISON, WISCONSIN**

**1999-2001**

**Assistant District Attorney (Felony)**

- Prosecuted felony cases, including crimes of domestic violence, sexual assault, armed robbery, and homicide.

**1996-1999**

**Deputy District Attorney (Misdemeanor)**

- Managed the Misdemeanor and Traffic Units.
- Assisted in establishing prosecution policies in the areas of domestic violence and drunk driving.
- Educated prosecutors, municipal and circuit court judges, law enforcement personnel, and probation and parole agents about issues relating to domestic violence, operation of a motor vehicle while intoxicated, and abusive head trauma.

**1992-1996**

**Assistant District Attorney (Misdemeanor)**

- Prosecuted misdemeanor and traffic cases, including cases involving domestic violence.
- Responsible for prosecuting thousands of cases from initial charging decision through disposition.

**EDUCATION**

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J.D. 1992 University of Wisconsin Law School - Madison, Wisconsin  
M.A. 1992 University of Wisconsin LaFollette School of Public Affairs - Madison, Wisconsin  
B.A. 1988 Duke University - Durham, North Carolina

**AWARDS**

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2015 Wisconsin Victim/Witness Professional Association "Professional of the Year"  
2016 Wisconsin Coalition Against Sexual Assault "Voices of Courage Award – Criminal Justice"

**VOLUNTEER AND BOARD ASSOCIATIONS**

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2019-present Wisconsin State Courts Judicial Education Committee  
2018-present Wisconsin State Courts Violence Against Women Act STOP Grant Advisory Committee (Chair)  
2018-present James E. Doyle Inns of Court  
2016-2017 Wisconsin Attorney General's Child Maltreatment Task Force  
2016-2017 Madison Metropolitan School District Guiding Coalition Committee  
2015-2017 Wisconsin Celebrate Children Foundation Board of Directors  
2015-2017 Wisconsin Governor's Council on Domestic Abuse  
2014- 2015 Wisconsin Legislative Council Study Committee on Criminal Penalties  
2013-2017 Wisconsin Child Abuse Network Leadership Committee  
2012-2017 Wisconsin Violence Against Women Act Advisory Committee  
2012-2017 Wisconsin Attorney General's Statewide Sexual Assault Response Team (Co-Chair)  
2011- 2013 Wisconsin Judicial Council Appellate Procedure Committee (Ad Hoc Member)  
2011-2017 Wisconsin Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board  
2011-2017 Wisconsin Child Death Review Council

2011-2017	Wisconsin Task Force on Children in Need
2011-2017	Wisconsin Crime Victims Council
2006-2008	Woodland Montessori School Personnel Committee
2002-2005	University of Wisconsin Law School Friends of LEO Mentorship Program
2001-2003	Safe Harbor of Dane County, Inc. Board of Directors (Treasurer 2003)
2001 & 2003	Safe Harbor of Dane County <i>Run for Kids</i> Race Director
1996-1998	Dane County Big Brothers/Big Sisters Board of Directors
1993-2000	Dane County Big Brothers/Big Sisters Program Participant
1993 & 2001	James E. Doyle Inns of Court