

Honorable M. Margaret McKeown, U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit

Judge McKeown was appointed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit 1998. 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. She was the first woman partner at Perkins Coie.

Judge McKeown is Chair of the ABA Commission on the 19th Amendment and the Ninth Circuit Pacific Islands Committee. She serves on the board of the World Justice Project, the advisory board of the ABA Rule of Law Initiative, the Executive Council for the American Society of International Law, the managerial board of the International Association of Women Judges, and the Editorial Board of Litigation Journal. She is past chair of the Federal Judges Association and immediate past Chair of the Georgetown Law Board of Visitors, an adjunct professor at Northwestern University Law School, and Jurist-in-Residence at the University of San Diego Law School. She serves on the Chief Justice's Workplace Environment Working Group and chaired the federal Codes of Conduct Committee.

Judge McKeown is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and a member of the Council of the American Law Institute. She is the author of a forthcoming book, *Citizen Justice: The Environmental Legacy of William O. Douglas*.

Judge McKeown has lectured and taught extensively on constitutional law, international law, human rights law, intellectual property, litigation, ethics, and judicial administration in Latin America, Asia, the Middle East and Europe. Selected publications include "The Lost Sanctuary: Examining Sex Trafficking Through the Lens of Ah Sou" (Cornell Journal of International Law, 2008); "Happy Birthday Statute of Anne: The Dance Between the Courts and Congress" (Berkeley Technology Law Journal, 2010); "To Judge or Not to Judge: Transparency and Recusal in the Federal System," (The Review of Litigation, 2011); "The Internet and the Constitution: A Selective Retrospective," (Washington Journal of Law, Technology & Arts, 2014); "Culinary Ambiguity: A Canonical Approach to Deciphering Menus" (Harvard Journal on Legislation, 2014); and "Beginning with *Brown*: Springboard for Gender Equality and Social Change" (San Diego Law Review, Fall 2015); "The ABA Rule of Law Initiative: Celebrating 25 Years of Global Initiatives (Michigan Journal of International Law, 2018); and "My Mother Made Me Do It: A Short History of the Nineteenth Amendment" (*Litigation*, 2020).

Judge McKeown has received a number of prestigious awards, including the ABA Margaret Brent Women of Achievement Award, the ABA John Marshall Award, the White House Fellows Legacy of Leadership Award, the Georgetown University John Carroll Award and Drinan Award for Public Service, the California Bar Intellectual Property Vanguard Award, the University of Wyoming Distinguished Alumnae, the Girl Scouts' "Cool Woman" Award, and several community service awards.

Judge McKeown has been active in community and civic affairs. She has served on the national boards of Volunteers of America and Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. and is the past chair of the White House Fellows Foundation. She was a member of the first American expedition to Mt. Shishapangma in Tibet.