



## Beth McGarry

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# Biography

Beth McGarry was appointed Deputy Assistant Attorney General for Operations and Management for the Office of Justice Programs in February 2006. In this career Senior Executive Service position, Ms. McGarry provides high-level oversight to the Office of Administration; Office of the Chief Financial Officer; Office of the Chief Information Officer; Equal Employment Opportunity Office; Office of Civil Rights; and the Office of Audit, Assessment and Management. She serves as a principal advisor to the Assistant Attorney General on all management and operational issues.

Ms. McGarry has extensive experience in the Department of Justice. In 1990, she was appointed as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Office of the United States Attorney for the Northern District of California. In 1998, then United States Attorney Robert S. Mueller appointed her to the position of Executive Assistant United States Attorney where she managed the legal and administrative operations for an office of approximately 180 employees. Her duties included supervising the Civil Division, trouble shooting and managing special management initiatives for the United States Attorney, and serving as the office's chief liaison to the Department of Justice, the district court, other government agencies, and the public.

As an active member of the legal community in San Francisco, Ms. McGarry was a court-appointed mediator for the alternative dispute resolution program in the federal district court. She was a member of the San Francisco Bar Association judiciary committee where she interviewed and provided recommendations on all potential candidates for state judicial positions in the City and County of San Francisco. Additionally, she was an adjunct professor at the University of California, Hastings College of the Law, where she taught trial advocacy and legal writing and research.

In 2001, she was appointed to the position of First Assistant, the highest career position in the United States Attorney's Office. During her tenure at the United States Attorney's Office, Ms. McGarry was the recipient of two Department of Justice Director's Awards for Superior Performance as an Assistant United States Attorney.

In 2002, Ms. McGarry was invited to serve on a detail as the Legislative Counsel for the Executive Office for United States Attorneys where she provided advice on legislative issues to the Director and the 94 United States Attorneys. In addition, she managed the day-to-day activities of attorneys and staff in the Counsel to the Director's Office and served as the liaison to the Attorney General's Advisory Committee on three criminal justice issues: controlled substances, civil rights, and appellate practice. Ms. McGarry joined the Office of Justice Programs in 2003 as the Senior Counsel to the Assistant Attorney General where she provided advice and counsel on management and operational issues.

Ms. McGarry received her bachelor's degree in nursing, cum laude, from the University of Delaware. She earned the degree of juris doctor, cum laude, from The University of California, Hastings College of the Law.