

**THE HONORABLE JUDITH E. RETCHIN
ASSOCIATE JUDGE
SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

Judith E. Retchin was appointed to the Superior Court by President George H.W. Bush in 1992. Judge Retchin has served in the Criminal, Civil, and Family Divisions of the Court.

Judge Retchin grew up in West Babylon, New York. She received her Bachelor of Arts from George Washington University in 1974 and her law degree from Catholic University Columbus School of Law in 1978.

Judge Retchin's professional life has been committed to government service. From 1978 to 1979, she was a trial attorney with the Civil Aeronautics Board. She next served as a trial attorney in the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice from 1979 to 1983. From 1984 until the time of her appointment, Judge Retchin was an Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Columbia. During that time, she prosecuted hundreds of criminal cases in both the United States District Court and the Superior Court. She served with distinction in many divisions of the United States Attorney's Office, including Misdemeanor Trial, Grand Jury, Felony Trial, Appellate, and Public Corruption Sections. During her tenure as an Assistant United States Attorney, she received four special achievement awards from the Department of Justice and numerous commendations from law enforcement agencies.

Judge Retchin has been a member of the Council for Court Excellence, the Edward Bennett Williams Inn of Court and numerous court committees. She has been a frequent teacher of trial advocacy at the Emory School of Law. She also has trained foreign judges and prosecutors in Bosnia and Kenya for the U.S. Department of Justice.

Judge Retchin has been a mentor and tutor for several at-risk youths and has been a tutor with the Friends of Tyler Elementary School program for many years.