

The Honorable Lynne A. Battaglia (Ret.) was raised in Silver Creek, New York, a village in the western part of the state, where her father was one of the town's pharmacists.

After graduating from high school in 1963, Judge Battaglia entered American University in Washington, D.C., where she majored in International Relations. She was Secretary of the Student Association, active in campus politics, and a member of the Mortar Board (an honorary association). She received her B.A. degree in 1967 and her M.A. degree in 1968 from the same institution. Upon being awarded an NDEA Title IV Fellowship, Judge Battaglia entered Georgetown University in 1968 to embark on her doctoral studies in American Government.

While attending Georgetown, Judge Battaglia decided to pursue law instead, and left Georgetown to enter law school at the University of Maryland Law School. She received her Juris Doctor degree in 1974. She was Articles Editor of the Law Review and graduated Order of the Coif. She was admitted to the Maryland Bar on December 17, 1974 and to the Federal District Court on January 3, 1975.

She began her legal career in 1974 at the Baltimore law firm of Semmes, Bowen & Semmes. She was an associate attorney at the firm until 1978. In 1978, she was recruited to serve as an Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Maryland, where she spent the next four years. As an Assistant United States Attorney, Judge Battaglia prosecuted numerous cases involving bank robbery, mail fraud, drug violations and tax evasion. She also served as the civil case liaison for the United States Attorney.

In 1983, she assumed the position of Visiting Professor of Law at the University of Maryland Law School. She taught courses in the Clinical Law Program and Women and the Law.

In 1984, Judge Battaglia became Senior Trial Attorney within the Office of Special Litigation in the Department of Justice, where she tried complex tax shelter cases throughout the United States. She twice received awards for Outstanding Attorney during her tenure.

In 1988, she was chosen by Maryland Attorney General J. Joseph Curran to become the Chief of the Criminal Investigations Division. She supervised attorneys, accountants and investigators involved in the prosecution of white collar and environmental crimes. Within three years she was recruited to become the Chief of Staff to United States Senator Barbara A. Mikulski. In addition to acting as Legal Advisor to the office, Judge Battaglia also supervised the work of the Washington office, two subcommittees, and six state offices.

She served as the United States Attorney for the District of Maryland from August 20, 1993 to January 26, 2001. She was appointed to that position by the President and confirmed by the United States Senate.

In April of 2016, Judge Battaglia retired as a Maryland Court of Appeals Judge from the Third Appellate Circuit. She had been nominated by Governor Parris Glendening, confirmed by the Maryland Senate, and had been sworn-in on January 26, 2001. She currently serves as a recalled judge in the Court of Appeals, Court of Special Appeals, Circuit Court for Howard and Anne Arundel Counties and Baltimore City, as well as for the District Court of Maryland.

Judge Battaglia has received numerous honors and awards during her distinguished career. In June of 2016, she received the H. Vernon Eney Award from the Maryland Bar Foundation. In May of 2016, she received the first annual Etta Maddox Award from the Women's Bar Association of Maryland. In March, 2010, Judge Battaglia was inducted into the Howard County Women's Hall of Fame. In November, 2008, Judge Battaglia was the recipient of the Rita C. Davidson Award from the Women's Bar Association of Maryland. In 2007, Judge Battaglia was the recipient of the Conwell R. Sapp Award from the Howard County Chapter of the Women's Bar Association. In 2006, Judge Battaglia was awarded the Charles Hamilton Houston Lifetime Achievement Award. In 2005, Judge Battaglia was awarded the University of Baltimore Women's Bar Association's Distinguished Woman Advocate Award. In 2004, Judge Battaglia was awarded the Maryland Bar Foundation Professional Legal Excellence Award for the Advancement of Professional Competence. In 2004, Judge Battaglia was awarded honorary membership with the Phi Delta Phi Paca Inn, University of Maryland School of Law. In 2003, Judge Battaglia was presented with the Maryland Leadership in Law Award, Daily Record. In 2002, Judge Battaglia was the recipient of the Margaret Brent-Juanita Jackson Mitchell Award. On March 20, 2001, Judge Battaglia was inducted into the "Circle of Excellence" having been selected three times, as one of Maryland's Top 100 Women by Warfield's Business Record. In 2001 Judge Battaglia was awarded an Honorary Juris Doctor Degree from the University Of Baltimore School Of Law. She was also presented with the University of Maryland School of Law 1998 Distinguished Graduate Award. In 1997 she received the Girl Scouts of Central Maryland Distinguished Women Award. In 1994 Judge Battaglia was presented with The Dorothy Beatty Memorial Award by the Women's Law Center in recognition of her outstanding contribution to the advancement of women's rights in Maryland.

Judge Battaglia is the author of *Obeisance to the Separation of Powers and Protection of Individuals' Rights and Liberties: The Honorable John C. Eldridge's Approach to Constitutional Analysis in the Court of Appeals of Maryland, 1974-2003*, published in the Maryland Law Review. She is also the author of "*Property and Law Are Born and Must Die Together*": *The Honorable Dale R. Cathell's Philosophy of Individual Property Rights and the Government in the Court of Appeals and the Court of Special Appeals, 1987-2006*, which was published in the Winter 2007 issue of the University of Baltimore Law Review.

She authored, along with Evelyn Lombardo, *Investing in the Future of Maryland Women*, published in the July 2011 Edition of the Maryland Law Journal. She is the Editor of *Finding Justice: A History of Women Lawyers in Maryland since 1642* published in 2015 by George Thompson Publishing.

Judge Battaglia is a member of the Gender Equality Committee of the Maryland State Bar Association and is a member of numerous other bar associations and law clubs. She is a member of the University of Baltimore Law School Advisory Board and continues to teach as an adjunct faculty member at the University of Maryland Law School and at the University of Baltimore Law School.

She is currently a member of the Board of Directors of the Howard County Bar Association, the American Inns of Court for Howard County and the Howard County Bar Foundation. She also is a member of the Retired/ Recalled Judges Committee of the Judiciary, as well as the Mental Health, Alcoholism and Addiction Subcommittee.

Formerly, Judge Battaglia served as the Chair of the Professionalism Center and the Chair of the Editorial Committee of the Finding Justice Project. She also served as Chair of the Long Range Planning Committee, the Judicial Administration Section Council and the Gender Equality Committee of the Maryland State Bar Association; Chairperson of the Judicial Administration Committee of the Baltimore City Bar Association; Past President of the Board of Directors, Law Alumni Association, University of Maryland Law School; facilitator of groups at Citizens Against Spousal Assault; Chairperson of various inquiry panels of the Attorney Grievance Commission, State of Maryland; on the Board of Directors, Women's Law Center, Baltimore, Maryland; and on the Board of Directors of the Howard County Sexual Assault Center. She also served on the Howard County Women's Commission and was co-chair of the Women's Health Promotion Council and the Maryland Commission for Women as well as serving on the Board of Directors for Special Olympics Maryland. She also participated in the Columbia Volunteer Corps and Howard County: A United Vision.

While U.S. Attorney for Maryland, Judge Battaglia was Vice-Chair of the Attorney General Reno's Advisory Committee and chaired the Health Care Fraud Subcommittee as well as being co-chair of the Child Exploitation Working Group. She was also active in other Attorney General Advisory Committee subcommittees including Environmental and Civil Rights.

In November, 2007 Judge Battaglia was elected to membership in The American Law Institute, a group consisting of judges, practicing lawyers and legal scholars from all areas of the United States, as well as some foreign countries, who are selected for membership on the basis of professional achievement and demonstrated interest in the improvement of the law.

Judge Battaglia currently resides in Ellicott City, Maryland and acts as a recalled judge on all levels of the Maryland judiciary. She is certified as a mediator in Howard County and serves as a settlement judge in Howard and Anne Arundel Counties.

She is also pursuing her Master's Degree in clinical mental health counseling in the School of Education at Johns Hopkins University. She is currently President-Elect of the Lambda Chapter of Chi Sigma Iota, a national honor society.

Her son, Scott, and daughter-in-law, Shannon are both Maryland attorneys, and she has two grandchildren, Jacob, who is 9, and Abigail, who is 5