



## Office of Inclusion and Engagement Alumni Advisory Board Member



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Recently retired from the Office of Defense Services, Delaware Public Defender, as Senior Assistant Public Defender, I've spent the majority of my career in public service focusing on criminal justice issues and civil rights. Served on the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, Delaware Advisory Committee for 2 years. Served as continuing legal education instructor on many civil rights issues, including immigration, and juvenile representation. I am the founding chairperson of the Multicultural Judges and Lawyers section of the Delaware state bar. Volunteered with social justice organizations, including the Delaware Center for Justice as a board member.