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Hon. Barbara M. G. Lynn (ret.) brings more than two decades of distinguished federal judicial service to the firm. She served as a Senior United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas. She was appointed to the federal bench by President Bill Clinton and confirmed by the Senate in 1999. In 2016, she made history as the first woman to serve as Chief Judge of the Northern District of Texas, a role she held until 2022. She assumed senior status in 2023 and retired from the bench in 2025 to join the firm as a partner.

A **summa cum laude** graduate of the University of Virginia, Judge Lynn earned her law degree from Southern Methodist University School of Law, where she graduated first in her class. Before her judicial appointment, she practiced at Carrington Coleman in Dallas, where she was the firm's first female associate and later its first female partner.

Judge Lynn has long been a leader in the legal community, serving as Chair of both the ABA Section of Litigation and the ABA Judicial Division, and as President of the American Inns of Court Foundation. She is widely recognized for her integrity, her unwavering commitment to the rule of law, and her dedication to advancing women in the legal profession.

EDUCATION

- Southern Methodist University School of Law, J.D., First in Class, 1976
- University of Virginia, B.A., summa cum laude
 - First fully co-educational undergraduate class

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Chair, ABA Section of Litigation
- Chair, ABA Judicial Division
- President, American Inns of Court Foundation
- Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers
- Mentor and advocate for women and young lawyers in the legal profession

HONORS & AWARDS

- Named one of the 50 Most Influential Women Attorneys in the U.S., National Law Journal
- Recognized by Southern Methodist University, Dallas Women Lawyers Association, International Women's Forum, and the State Bar of Texas with multiple awards for judicial leadership and service to the profession