Hon. Bobbie McCartney

As the Co-Chair of the National Association of Women Judges' Human Trafficking Committee, I work to raise awareness, educate, and advocate for the prevention and elimination of human trafficking, a global human rights violation that affects millions of people. I accepted this position in October 2020, after retiring from my role as the Judicial Officer at the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), where I served as the Secretary of Agriculture's alternate on matters concerned with quasi-judicial authorities. I was also recently confirmed as the District Director for District 4 of the NAWJ which encompasses DC, VA and MD.

I have over 25 years of experience as a United States Administrative Law Judge, having served as the Chief Judge or Deputy Chief Judge at various federal agencies, including the United States Department of Agriculture, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Social Security Administration. I have also served as a senior trial attorney with the United States Department of Labor's Office of the Solicitor, where I received multiple awards for my litigation work. I hold a JD from the University of Houston and an LLM in International and Comparative Labor Law from Southern Methodist University. I am passionate about advancing the rule of law, promoting justice and equality, and serving in the public interest.