Hon. Helen E. Hoens

The Honorable Helen E. Hoens is a retired Justice of the New Jersey Supreme Court. During her lengthy career as a trial and appellate court jurist, Justice Hoens authored more than 100 published New Jersey Supreme Court opinions and served on numerous Supreme Court Advisory Committees.

In addition, Justice Hoens has distinguished herself as an inspiring and dynamic speaker, addressing audiences about achieving work-life balance, overcoming barriers to success and tackling topics that include "Searching for Justice In An Unjust World."

The mother of a now-adult son with autism, Justice Hoens has actively promoted autism awareness, advocacy and education and she has pursued and supported a wide variety of civic and charitable endeavors that have involved leading or co-leading humanitarian and disaster relief teams working in the United States, Africa and Haiti and, during the pandemic, working locally to combat food insecurity and creating on-line spiritual support and meditation groups.

Justice Hoens was awarded a B.A. with High Honors from the College of William and Mary and earned a J.D. cum laude from Georgetown University Law Center. She is a Life Fellow of the American Bar Foundation, the Co-Chair of the New Jersey State Bar Association's Blue Ribbon Commission On Unmet Legal Needs and the recipient of numerous honors and awards.