

Hon. Kathy J. King
Judge, Supreme Court, New York County



Hon. Kathy J. King '84, is currently a presiding Medical Malpractice judge in Supreme Court, New York County. Elected in 2003 as a Civil Court Judge in the City of New York, she was appointed acting Supreme Court Justice in 2009, where she presided over matters relating to law and equity and guardianship. In 2014, she was elected to the Supreme Court, Second Judicial District. Her decisions are frequently published in the *New York Official Reports* and the *New York Law Journal*, including the seminal decision, *In the Matter of Jane Doe, An Incapacitated Person*, a case of first impression under the Family Health Care Decisions Act. After graduating

from law school, Justice King was a Court Attorney in the Unified Court System until 1993, when she became General Counsel to the NYC Board of Elections and was responsible for enforcing the Voting Rights Act, supervising litigation, and providing legal counsel to the Commissioners of Elections. She was in private practice until her appointment as Deputy Clerk in Kings County in 2002, where she managed election operations for the largest voting constituency in New York State, until her election to the bench. Active in many community organizations, she is a life member and past president of the NY Chapter of the National Association of Women Judges (NAWJ). She frequently mentors new judges, lawyers and rising college and high school students interested in a legal career. Currently, she is Co-Chair of the Board of Trustees at St. Barnabas High School, an all girls college preparatory school. Justice King represented the NAWJ, as chair of the New York Mentor Team for Afghan Judges, at the United Nations 2023 Commission on the Status of Woman Conference, where she was a panelist on Girls & Women Having Access to Education.