

BIO OF MARCY HELFAND FOR HELEN GROSS LEADERSHIP AWARD

Marcy Helfand grew up in Skokie, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago, attended Pomona College, and then received both her undergraduate and law degrees from SMU. She has lived in Dallas since 1975.

Marcy has practiced Commercial Real Estate law for all of her legal career of over 40 years, and continues to do so in her solo practice of Marcy C. Helfand, P.C. She has been Board Certified in Commercial Real Estate Law for over 35 years and is a member of the Texas Bar College.

She has been an active volunteer in the Dallas community since her college days, serving on many boards, including as President of CHAI, Regional Board Chair of the ADL, President of Shearith Israel Sisterhood and President of the Dallas Chapter of the American Jewish Congress. Other boards she has served on include Congregation Shearith Israel, the Federation, the CHAI Endowment Foundation, the Dallas Jewish Community Foundation, Israel Bonds, Hadassah, Akiba Academy and the Valley View Homeowner's Association. She currently serves the City of Dallas as the President of the Dallas Housing Finance Corporation.

Marcy and her husband, Robert Book, are the proud parents of four children who have given them five beautiful grandchildren. They are also "service humans" to two dogs, who have them very well trained.