

Marlene Trestman
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Biographical Sketch

Marlene Trestman is a lawyer and author of *Fair Labor Lawyer: The Remarkable Life of New Deal Attorney and Supreme Court Advocate Bessie Margolin*. She is currently working on a second book, *The History of New Orleans Jewish Orphans Home, 1855-1946*.

For the last decade of her thirty-year career with the Maryland Attorney General's Office, from which she retired in 2013, Trestman served as a Special Assistant to the Attorney General and was responsible for enforcing consumer protection laws governing the marketing of tobacco and alcohol, and internet safety. In recognition of her contributions, Trestman twice received the Attorney General's Exceptional Service Award.

A Phi Beta Kappa graduate and former trustee of Goucher College, Trestman earned her law degree from George Washington University and her MBA from Loyola University of Maryland's Sellinger School, where she has taught law.

Trestman has received research grants and fellowships from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Hadassah Brandeis Institute, and the American Jewish Archives. A recipient of the Supreme Court Historical Society's Hughes-Gossett Literary Award and the Isidore Newman School's Distinguished Alumnus Award, Trestman lives in Baltimore and delights in visiting her native New Orleans.