

Distinguished Achievement Citation

Susan Phillips Read

Class of 1969

With this presentation of Ohio Wesleyan's Distinguished Achievement Citation, The Ohio Wesleyan University Alumni Association Board of Directors is privileged to acknowledge Susan Phillips Read for her outstanding legislative achievements.

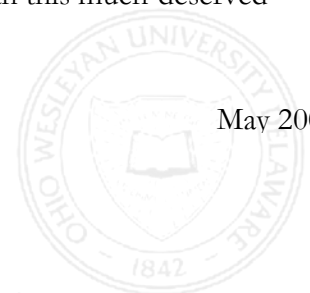
Susan Read graduated from Ohio Wesleyan in 1969 with a degree in History and entered the University of Chicago Law School where she earned her J.D. in 1972. During a brief stint after graduation at the United States Atomic Energy Commission's headquarters in Bethesda, Maryland, Judge Read married Howard Read whom she met at law school. She relocated from Washington, D.C., to Albany, New York, in 1973 and was admitted to the New York State Bar in 1974.

Judge Read was a staff attorney at the State University of New York from 1974 until 1977 when she left for a position with the General Electric Company. She held a series of in-house counsel positions with GE from 1980 until 1985. She was GE's Chief Environmental Counsel nationwide. Judge Read departed GE in early 1988 for a private practice at the Syracuse-based law firm of Bond, Schoeneck, and King where she was a resident partner in the firm's Albany office.

In 1995, she became the Deputy Counsel to New York Governor George Pataki and was named to the New York Court of Claims in 1998 where she served as the Presiding Judge until 2003. In 2003, she was appointed to the position of Associate Judge serving a 14-year term on the New York State Court of Appeals, New York's highest appellate court. Judge Read has authored numerous legal opinions, as well as articles on legal topics in various legal and general interest periodicals.

Judge Read is a longstanding member of the New York State Bar Association, a member of The Association of the Bar of the City of New York and the Women's Bar Association of the State of New York, and a Life Member of the National Association of Women Judges. She has been active over the years in various performing arts organizations, including the New York City Ballet and its children's programs, the School of American Ballet, and the Tanglewood Music Center. She is a member of the Board of Directors of the Saratoga Performing Arts Center, the summer home of the New York City Ballet and the Philadelphia Orchestra.

We are proud of Judge Read's remarkable career and are honored to recognize her with this much-deserved Distinguished Alumni Citation.



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