

Justice Bobbie Bridge

Founding President and CEO,
Center for Children & Youth Justice



"A great mentor for me, my mother-in-law, Shirley Bridge, told me to stop thinking about the job and just think about what I'm interested in and what I would like to accomplish. Of course, she was exactly right. I wrote down a list of things and she looked at it and said I should be a judge. And I loved every minute of my work as a trial court judge. I felt very blessed to have that opportunity."

Bobbie Bridge is a former Associate Justice of the Washington Supreme Court, and a dedicated volunteer and philanthropist who has been honored with numerous awards for her civic involvement and service to children and youth. Justice Bridge was appointed to the Washington State Supreme Court in 1999 after serving 10 years as a King County Superior Court Judge. In 2006, she retired her judgeship to assume the role of Founding President and CEO of the Center for Children & Youth Justice (CCYJ), a private nonprofit organization that works to create better lives for children by reforming the child welfare and the juvenile justice systems in Washington State.



Justice Bridge with Gov. Christine Gregoire and Michelle Obama; on the bench; with Gov. Jay Inslee.

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