

ROSEMARY BARKETT



Rosemary Barkett joined the Iran-United States Claims Tribunal in The Hague in October 2013. Immediately prior to joining this Tribunal, Judge Barkett served as one of twelve active judges on the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit to which she was nominated by President William J. Clinton and received her appointment in 1994. While serving on the 11th Circuit, she authored several landmark opinions in the areas of constitutional law, sexual harassment, disability rights, labor rights, privacy rights, rights of speech and association, and immigration. Judge Barkett's service on the judiciary began in 1979 when Florida's governor appointed her as a state trial court judge, later in 1984 elevated her to serve as a state appellate court judge, and then in 1985 appointed her to the Florida Supreme Court, making her the first woman Justice in the Florida Supreme Court's history. On July 1, 1992, her colleagues chose her to become Florida's first woman Chief Justice.

Judge Barkett has pursued her interest in education as well as in jurisprudence off the bench as well, serving on the faculty of Florida's Judicial College, the National Judicial College, The Institute of Judicial Administration's New Appellate Judge Seminar, the Aspen Institute's Justice and Society Seminars, and various other Appellate Judges Seminars and law courses. She has taught seminars on Constitutionalism and Human Rights and Comparative Constitutions at Columbia Law School with Professor Louis Henkin. In addition, she has lectured in Kuwait, Dubai, Qatar, Damascus, Turkey, Algeria, China, Haiti, Khyrgystan, Mexico, Russia, Egypt, Tunisia and Morocco on various substantive and procedural topics as well as on matters pertaining to court administration. She presently serves on the Board of the ABA's Rule of Law Initiative and chairs its Committee on the Middle East and North Africa Division.

Judge Barkett has received dozens of honors and awards for her work as a judge and as an individual committed to improving justice. The recipient of

seven honorary degrees from institutions of higher learning, Judge Barkett has also earned dozens of prestigious honors and awards from national and state professional, civic, and charitable groups, including being named by Florida's Eleventh Judicial Circuit Historical Society as a 2008 Legal Legend. She has also received The Margaret Brent Women Lawyers of Achievement Award, presented by the ABA Commission on Women in the Profession, and the Latin Business and Professional Women Lifetime Achievement Award, in addition to being inducted into the Florida Women's Hall of Fame. She is a member of the International Women's Forum, and the American Society of International Law, where she serves on the Judicial Outreach Program Advisory Board. She was also the National Association of Women Judges Honoree of the Year in 1999. Two awards are given in Judge Barkett's name annually- the Rosemary Barkett Outstanding Achievement Award given to an outstanding lawyer by the Florida Association of Women Lawyers and The Rosemary Barkett Award presented by the Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers to a person who has demonstrated outstanding commitment to equal justice under law. She has also been honored by the naming of the "Rosemary Barkett Inn of Appellate Law" in Miami, Florida.