

Biography of Marla K. Marvin, J.D.

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Marla Marvin is an attorney with the Office of Chief Counsel at the U.S. Department of Energy's Richland Operations Office (2004-present). She practices primarily in the areas of environmental law, labor relations, employee relations, and miscellaneous litigation. Previously she was the director of the DOE Office of Communications at Hanford (2000-2004).

Prior to coming to DOE, Ms. Marvin was legislative assistant/staff counsel and eventually legislative director for U.S. Senator Patty Murray (1995-2000). She previously served as a legislative assistant to U.S. Representative Jolene Unsoeld (1988-92).

Between her congressional stints in Washington, DC, Ms. Marvin worked in her home state of Washington as a law clerk for the Washington State Court of Appeals, as a public defender, and very briefly as an assistant attorney general. She began her career in law and politics working in private industry as a governmental affairs representative for Pacific Lumber and Shipping Co.

Ms. Marvin holds a bachelor's degree in political science and psychology from Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Washington and a law degree from the Washington College of Law at the American University in Washington, DC. Ms. Marvin has two daughters, Malaya (age 6) and Maysi (age 3).