

## *Foundation for Justice Award*

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Awarded to the attorney who has devoted expertise and time to changing the justice system to promote access and opportunity for those most vulnerable.



### **Ellen S. Katz William E. Morris Institute for**

Since 1980, when Ellen Katz received her law degree from Washington University, she has devoted her expertise and time to changing the justice system to promote access and opportunity for those most vulnerable. Since moving to Arizona, she has worked with a broad spectrum of legal advocacy organizations, including Southern Arizona Legal Aid, the Equal Opportunity Employment Commission, the Arizona Center for Disability Law and the Civil Rights Division at the Arizona Attorney General's Office. She has now devoted over nine years to public advocacy with the William E. Morris Institute for Justice, where she remains a resource for other legal aid providers as well as an impact litigator in her own right.

Through Ellen's advocacy the system for those most vulnerable has advanced in numerous areas. Ellen's representation of the poverty population is extensive.

In addition to her focus of ensuring our judicial system is always aware of the needs of those who cannot afford representation, Ellen's representation of the public strengthens the justice system by giving large number of people access through her advocacy on their behalf.