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EDUCATION:

B.S., Worcester State College, Massachusetts, Early Childhood Education;

M.S.Ed., Boston University, Massachusetts, Special Education;

Ph.D., New York University, Organizational and Administrative Studies;

J.D., Vermont Law School.

Post-Doc, Henri Dunant Institute for Human Rights, Geneva, Switzerland.

Post-Doc, World Court for Human Rights, Strasbourg, France

Dr. Bartlett began teaching ESOL in a Montessori kindergarten in Germany in 1970, and there after, she taught first grade in Massachusetts. She received her first academic appointment as an assistant professor at Long Island University in Educational Leadership in 1980 while she was completing her Ph.D. in Organizational and Administrative Studies at NYU. Dr. Bartlett later became an assistant superintendent of schools in Vermont before attending Vermont Law School. She then practiced law in Manhattan as a law clerk at Bower and Gardner, a medical malpractice firm on Park Ave before returning to academia in 1994 when she became an associate professor at Dowling College. She co-authored Dowling College’s inaugural doctoral program in “Educational Leadership and Policy Studies,” approved by the State of New York in 1997. In 1999, she joined New York Institute of Technology as Associate Professor and Associate Dean of Graduate Education. In 2004, Dr. Bartlett joined the University of South Florida and in 2008 she was appointed Dean of the College of Education and Human Performance at Texas A&M University-Kingsville (TAMUK) and from which she recently retired as a Professor of Educational Leadership. Dr. Bartlett spends her summers training Special Education Advocates at the William and Mary College of Law, Institute for Special Education Advocacy. She herself is an Advocate for special needs students.

Dr. Bartlett is an active member of the national AHEAD (Association of Higher Education and Disabilities), Council of Parents, Advocates and Attorneys (COPPA), Education Law Association, Kappa Delta Pi, and has recently changed her affiliation from the TxAHEAD to the NYSDSC.

Dr. Bartlett has been a Zontian for twenty-one years since 1995. Zonta is a service organization for professional women whose mission is “to improve the status of women worldwide.” And, she has been a Rotarian since 2008 from whom she received a Paul Harris award in 2014.

Dr. Bartlett is well published and presents nationally and internationally on topics in educational law including the IDEA, ADA-AA of 2008, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1974 as well as Bullying in the schools, The McKinney-Vento Act, the education of homeless children, and the Rights of LGBTQ students. As the plaintiff in *Bartlett v New York Board of Law Examiners* (2001), Dr. Bartlett enjoys telling her story about her battle to win her rights to accommodations under the ADA.

Dr. Bartlett has received many awards over the years but the most notable include the 1999 *Lifetime Achievement Award*” from L.D. Access in Manhattan for pursuing her rights under the ADA; being awarded *USF Faculty of the Year* in 2006; From AHEAD, *The Contributions to the Field of Disability and Higher Education* Award” in 2011 with JoAnne Simon; *The Ken Campbell Lecture on Disabilities Policy award at the Twelfth Annual Multiple Perspectives on Access, Inclusion & Disability* at the Ohio State in 2012; and most recently in June 2017 The Distinguished Alumni Award at Vermont Law School.

She has three fur-babies: “Charlie,” an eleven pound blind, diabetic Pomeranian, a street punk named Clancy, an Irish Terrier, and “Lady Scotia,” a Scottish Collie who is Marilyn’s Service Animal. She is an avid sailor and skiier, a folk art painter, and enjoys traveling around the world. Dr. Bartlett now lives in Saratoga Springs, NY.