

## **Justice Anne X. Alpern**

1903-1981

### **Term**

September 6, 1961-January 1, 1962

### **Education**

- Pennsylvania College for Women; University of Pittsburgh, A.B., 1923
- University of Pittsburgh School of Law, LL.B., 1927

### **Professional Service**

- Admitted to Allegheny County Bar, September 26, 1927; U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, 1946
- Attorney, Cunningham, Galbreath & Dickson, 1927-1934
- Assistant and then First Assistant City Solicitor of Pittsburgh, 1934-1942; first woman appointed to that position and then, Solicitor
- Solicitor, City of Pittsburgh, 1942-1954
- Elected Judge, Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, November 1953
- Judge, Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, December 16, 1953-January 20, 1959
- Governor David Lawrence appointed Alpern as first woman Attorney-General, 1959
- Attorney-General, Pennsylvania, 1959-September 1961
- Governor David Lawrence nominated Alpern, Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, July 21, 1961 to serve the unexpired term of Chief Justice Charles A. Jones
- Governor David Lawrence nominated Alpern, Judge, Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, January 24, 1962, confirmed by the Senate on January 29, 1962; served from
- January 29, 1962-January 1964
- Elected Judge, Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, November 1963
- Judge, Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, January 1964-January 1974
- Partner, Berkman Ruslander Pohl Lieber & Engel, 1974-1981



### **Honors and Awards**

- Phi Beta Kappa, University of Pittsburgh
- Distinguished Daughters of Pennsylvania, 1952
- Junior Chamber of Commerce Award for distinction in the field of law, 1953
- Distinguished Service Award, National Institute of Municipal Law Officers, 1953
- Newspaper Guild Award
- Pennsylvania Bar Association in 1994 created an award in Alpern's name for women who excelled in their profession and impacted of women in the law

### **Memberships and Associations**

- President, National Institute of Municipal Law Officers, 1947-1948
- American Bar Association House of Delegates; Chair, Committee of Board of Public Education

### **Publications**

- Unsnarling the Traffic Jam by the Use of the Parking Authorities, 36 Virginia L. Rev. 1029 (1950)
- Remarks of Judge Anne X. Alpern [enactment of Bill of Rights, December 15, 1958], 106 no. 52 Pittsburgh Legal J. 3 (December 27, 1958)

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