

Honorable Roslyn O. Silver
Senior United States District Judge
District of Arizona (Phoenix)

Senior United States District Judge Roslyn Silver has served as judge for the District of Arizona since her appointment in 1994. She was the first woman appointed in the Phoenix Division and the second woman appointed in the District of Arizona. In 2011 she became the first woman Chief Judge for the District of Arizona.

Prior to her appointment to the bench, Judge Silver was Criminal Division Chief and acting First Assistant for the U.S. Attorney's office in Phoenix. She taught as a professor at the American Institute of Paralegal Studies and at the Arizona State University Center for Executive Development. She now teaches at the Arizona State University Law School, in the Law Science Cluster Group, and is a popular Constitutional Law instructor in the Master of Legal Studies program. Internationally, she was a Professor of Criminal Law at the University of Regensburg, Germany.

Judge Silver is a lecturer for the American Conference Institute; is published in journals, including *Arizona Attorney* magazine, the *ABA Journal*, and the *Maricopa Lawyer*, and has been a contributing editor to *Federal Civil Procedure Before Trial*, *Rutter Group Practice Guide*. She was Chair of the Ninth Circuit Article III Judges Education Committee and the District of Arizona Local Rules Committee.

Among her awards, Judge Silver was named Arizona State University Alumnus of the Year in 1996, the Arizona Women Lawyers Association's Outstanding Member of the Legal Community in 1999, and one of 100 Significant Women and Minorities in Arizona's Legal History in 2000. In 2012 Judge Silver received an Award of Recognition and Achievement from the Tucson Chapter of the Arizona Women Lawyers Association for her appointment as the first woman Chief Judge of the Federal District of Arizona. Judge Silver was recognized in 2013 for outstanding service to the Veterans' Program by the Assistant Adjutant General, the Arizona Army National Guard, the Arizona Coalition for Military Families, and the Arizona Veterans Magazine. That same year, she was also honored for outstanding achievement as Chief Judge for the District of Arizona by the Phoenix Chapter of the Federal Bar Association. In 2014, Judge Silver was recognized by the Arizona Association for Justice/Arizona Trial Lawyers Association, receiving the Judicial Integrity Award for commitment to the civil justice system and continued service on the bench, and was the recipient of The John M. Roll Award for Distinguished Service to the District of Arizona, presented by the Arizona Lawyer Representatives at the Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference. In 2016, Judge Silver was the recipient of the Arizona State Law Journal's John S. Lancy Distinguished Alumni Award and in 2019, she received the Outstanding Professors Award for her teaching of Constitutional Law in the Master of Legal Studies Program.