

## **HON. MARY PAT GUNDERSON (RET.)**

The Honorable Mary Pat Gunderson is a retired state court trial judge. Governor Branstad appointed Judge Gunderson to the bench as a District Court Judge in Polk County, Iowa in 2011. During her time as a District Court Judge she presided over both criminal and civil jury and non-jury trials and sentenced many criminal defendants. She retired from the bench in 2017 and has been researching, writing and presenting on topics of interest.

Prior to being appointed to the District Court she served as a Polk County Magistrate from 2005-2011. From 1989 – 1996 she was an Assistant Polk County Attorney where she prosecuted over 25 felony jury trials including kidnapping and first-degree murder.

She graduated from the University of Iowa College of Law in Iowa City, Iowa, in 1988.