

BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT OF NANCY LEMCKE

As a 25-year veteran of the Clark County Public Defender's office and a current attorney with the Children's Attorneys Project at Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada, Ms. Lemcke has dedicated her career to representing some of the most vulnerable members of the Clark County community. Ms. Lemcke tried numerous felony cases to verdict, including both capital and non-capital homicide cases. She also litigated and argued multiple cases before the Nevada Supreme Court, including the 2020 landmark bail reform case of Valdez-Jimenez v. Eighth Judicial District Court. Ms. Lemcke also championed various justice-related legislative initiatives in Nevada, including Assembly Bill 267, which established Nevada's state-wide exoneree compensation fund. Ms. Lemcke's cases and work have been profiled by various national print and television media including Vanity Fair, The New York Times, Dateline, and The John Walsh Show.

Ms. Lemcke served as a member of the Board of Directors for Nevada Attorneys for Criminal Justice; as a member of the Committee to Draft Pattern Criminal Jury Instructions for Nevada; and as the Nevada State Bar Representative to the Clark County Justice of the Peace Judicial Selection Committee. She lectured at UNLV on various topics relating to criminal justice and has conducted numerous trial advocacy seminars on behalf of legal organizations such as the Clark County Bar Association. She also served as a judge for the Nevada Center for Civic Engagement's "We the People" constitutional law competition for Nevada high school students. Recently, Ms. Lemcke was awarded the 2020 Lifetime Achievement Award by Nevada Attorneys for Criminal Justice; named 2019 Defender of the Year by the Clark County Public Defender; and honored with a 2020 Legal Excellence Award by Vegas Legal magazine.

Ms. Lemcke currently serves as an Adjunct Professor of Law at UNLV's Boyd School of Law where she teaches Trial Advocacy. She holds a B.A. in Political Science from the University of California, Los Angeles and a J.D. from Pepperdine University School of Law.