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Ms. Gilfoyle is General Counsel for the American Psychological Association, a 149,000-member non-profit association. She has a particular interest in the intersection of law and psychology, including submitting amicus curiae briefs presenting psychological research on important legal and public policy issues, such as juvenile justice, the death penalty, competency issues and minority rights. Her office was one of the first in-house participants in the D.C. Bar Pro Bono Community Economic Development Project and provides ongoing training for pro se litigants through the Child Custody Clinic at the D.C. Superior Court.

Ms. Gilfoyle began her legal career practicing with the Boston Legal Assistance Project before moving to work on an investigation of the nursing home industry in the first administration of Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis. In 1976 she joined the Washington firm Peabody, Lambert and Meyers, where she practiced as an associate and then partner until 1984, when she joined McDermott, Will & Emery.

Prior to joining APA in 1996, Ms. Gilfoyle headed McDermott, Will & Emery's sixty-lawyer D.C. litigation department. Her litigation practice focused on trial and appellate work in administrative, antitrust and trade regulation, employment and health care matters. Ms. Gilfoyle was the firm's representative to the Washington Lawyer's Committee for Civil Rights under Law for several years and managed the firm's pro bono representation of individual plaintiffs in several race and sex discrimination class action cases.

Ms. Gilfoyle is in her second term as a member of the D.C. Bar Board of Governors, where she has served on the Executive Committee and Budget Committee. She chaired the Bar's 2007 Study Committee for the Access to Justice Commission's Publicly Funded Initiatives.

Ms. Gilfoyle is a mediator for the United States District Court for the District of Columbia and an arbitrator for the D.C. Bar Attorney-Client Arbitration Board, which she chaired from 1995-1997. She is a member of the Board of Directors of the Wendt Center for Loss and Healing and the Leadership Committee of the University of Michigan Organizational Studies Program. In 2008 Ms. Gilfoyle was appointed by the D. C. Court of Appeals to a three- year term on the D.C. Access to Justice Commission.

Ms. Gilfoyle received her bachelor's degree from Hollins College with Honors in 1971 and her J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law in 1974.