

## **Marsha Levick**

Marsha Levick is the co-founder and Chief Legal Officer of Juvenile Law Center, America's first public interest law firm for children. Throughout her career, Levick has advocated for youth involved in the justice and child welfare systems, and currently manages Juvenile Law Center's national litigation docket. Levick has participated in numerous landmark cases before the U.S. Supreme Court involving youth rights in the justice system, including *Roper v. Simmons*, *Graham v. Florida*, *Miller v. Alabama*, and *Montgomery v. Louisiana*, all cases striking extreme adult sentences for youth in the criminal justice system, and *J.D.B. v North Carolina*, requiring consideration of a suspect's young age during police interrogations. Levick also led Juvenile Law Center's work in the Luzerne County, Pa. "Kids for Cash" judges' scandal, resulting in the vacatur of nearly 2500 juvenile adjudications and substantial financial awards to the youth and their parents. Levick serves on the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Center for Children's Rights and is a member of the Dean's Council of the Indiana University O'Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs and the Board of Visitors of Temple University Beasley School of Law. Levick has received numerous awards for her work, including the Philadelphia Award (2015), the Arlen Specter Award (Inaugural Winner 2013) and the Philadelphia Inquirer Citizen of the Year Award (2009 - co-winner), as well as recognition for her work from the American Bar Association, American Association for Justice, the Pennsylvania Bar Association and the Philadelphia Bar Association, among others. Levick is an adjunct professor at Temple University Beasley School of Law and the University of Pennsylvania Law School.