

## **Secret Wardle Executive Partner, Margaret Scott, Elected to WON Board of Directors at Quarterly Networking Breakfast**



L/R: Secret Wardle law clerk, Laura Ivezaj; Honorable Kirsten Nielsen Hartig of 52/4 District Court in Troy; and Secret Wardle Executive Partner, Margaret A. Scott

Secret Wardle Executive Partner, Margaret Scott, and law clerk, Laura Ivezaj, both of the Firm's Troy location, attended the Women Officials Network (WON) Foundation's quarterly networking breakfast on June 9, 2017. At the event, Ms. Scott was elected to the WON Board of Directors for a one year term. Judge Kirsten N. Hartig of the 52-4 District Court in Troy and Judge Jennifer S. Callaghan of the Oakland County Probate Court were also elected to one year positions on the Board. The breakfast was held at the Doyle Center in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. Guest speaker, Beth Talbert, creator and Director of Oakland University's Women's Leadership Institute, presented the topic, "Advancing Women in Leadership – What the Numbers Really Say." Ms. Talbert is a faculty member and serves as the chief undergraduate adviser in the Communication program at Oakland University.

Margaret Scott is an Executive Partner located in Secret Wardle's Troy location. She is a member of the Firm's Motor Vehicle Litigation, Municipal, and Property, Fire and Casualty Practice Groups. Ms. Scott received the Bob Sattler Award by the North Central Regional Chapter-International Association of Auto Theft Investigators in 2007. She also received an Award for Professional Excellence for services provided to the Michigan State Police characterized by outstanding performance of duty and a personal commitment to the excellence associated with the prosecution of a 1998 Western Wayne Auto Theft Unit investigation. Ms. Scott has been awarded the William V. Liddane Award by the Help Eliminate Auto Theft (H.E.A.T.) Organization in recognition of her advocacy in reducing auto-theft related crimes in Michigan. Ms. Scott is a member of the *Michigan Lawyers Weekly* Class of 2015 "Women in the Law," recognized for her meaningful and inspiring contributions made to the legal community. She is past Chair of the Michigan Anti-Car Theft Campaign Committee. Currently, Ms. Scott serves as Chair of the Michigan Arson Prevention Committee's Governmental Resource Committee. Ms. Scott has also been awarded a Challenge Coin by the North Oakland County Veteran's Treatment Court for her involvement in the program in her role as a district court prosecutor.

Established in 1997, Women Officials Network envisions more women in leadership positions at all levels of government. WON empowers the leaders of today and mentors women leaders of tomorrow while encouraging women to become involved in public policy through elected and appointed office.

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