

Judge Mike Heavey (Ret.)

Bio:



Mike Heavey is a decorated Vietnam Veteran. He served 14 years as a Washington state lawmaker and over 12 years as a Judge on the King County Superior Court. He has presided over hundreds of criminal and civil cases.

But it is his work as a volunteer championing the innocence of Seattle neighbor Amanda Knox and her Italian co-defendant Raffaele Sollecito that inspired Mike to get involved in the study of wrongful convictions in the US and around the world.

Since retiring from the bench in early 2013, Mike has become a champion for the rights of those wrongfully convicted, and in 2013 founded *Judges For Justice*, a non-profit organization committed to providing independent, impartial, and experienced judicial analysis of cases of alleged innocence.

Mike lectures to attorneys and law students on the pathology of wrongful convictions, and speaks widely on the innocence of Amanda Knox and Raffaele Sollecito.

He is available for interviews and speaking engagements.

Speaker's Details

Career

US Army Officer, Vietnam
1967 – 70

Admitted to Bar
1976

WA State House of Representatives
1987 – 1995

WA State Senate
1995 - 2000

Superior Court Judge
2000 - 2013

Education

BA-University of Washington
1973

JD-Santa Clara University Law School
1976

Recognition

Awarded Bronze Star, Air Medal, Good Conduct Medal
Chairman of Commerce and Labor Committee, WA
Chairman of Senate Judiciary Committee, WA

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