

Ms. Belinda Juran grew up in a working-class family in Queens, NY. A scholarship allowed her to attend the University of Scranton, earning a BS in Math. Belinda then moved to Massachusetts to work in the high-tech industry, initially as a software engineer, then a manager and consultant.

While working full-time, she earned an MBA from Boston University. The opportunity to attend Harvard Law School led her to the law firm of WilmerHale in Boston, where she advised biotech companies on contracts protecting their intellectual property.

She retired from the partnership in 2019. In 2020 and 2021, Belinda was a fellow in Harvard's Advanced Leadership Initiative (ALI), a leadership program for professionals seeking to make a social impact in the next phase of their lives, and she continues serving on the ALI Social Impact Review.

Moving to Lowell in 2007 made Belinda a proud *Lovellian* who thrives on promoting connections to help weave a stronger and even more vibrant fabric of community. Literacy, learning and Lowell are her passions! Belinda has served as a director of the Pollard Memorial Library Foundation since 2015 and was chair from 2019-2022.

Belinda also serves on the Board of Directors of the International Institute of New England, the Advisory Boards of UMass Lowell's School of Education and Harvard Kennedy School's Carr Center for Human Rights Policy, and the working boards of the Lowell City of Learning project and the Lowell Early Childhood Council.