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**Marcia Coyle** is an award-winning journalist and internationally known analyst of the Supreme Court. As Chief Washington Correspondent for *The National Law Journal*, she has covered the Supreme Court for 25 years. She is also a regular contributor of Supreme Court analysis on *PBS NewsHour*.

Coyle's reporting has garnered such national journalism awards as the George Polk Award for legal reporting, the Investigative Reporters and Editors Award for outstanding investigative reporting, the American Judicature Society's Toni House Journalism Award for a career body of work involving coverage of the nation's courts and justice system, and the Scripps-Howard Foundation Award for environmental journalism, among others.

Before joining *The National Law Journal*, Coyle covered state and national government and politics for the Pennsylvania Times-Mirror daily newspaper for more than a decade. Besides her work for the Law Journal, she has written about the Supreme Court and other legal issues for such publications as *Vogue*, *Ms. Magazine*, and the *New York Times Book Review*, and she is a contributing author to a book on the Supreme Court, "A Year in the Life of the U.S. Supreme Court."

Coyle's book, *The Roberts Court: The Struggle for the Constitution*, provides a brilliant inside analysis of four landmark decisions of the Supreme Court—concerning health care, money in elections, guns at home, and race in schools. Coyle examines how those cases began and how they exposed the great divides among the justices, such as the originalists versus the pragmatists on guns and the Second Amendment, and corporate speech versus human speech in the controversial *Citizens United* case. Most dramatically, her reporting shows how dedicated conservative lawyers and groups strategize to find cases and craft them with an eye on a receptive conservative majority on the Supreme Court.

Coyle earned her B.A. degree from Hood College, Frederick, Md.; her M.S. in journalism from Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., and her J.D. degree from the University of Baltimore School of Law, Baltimore, Md.