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In January of 2008 Ms. Carroll co-founded the Sexual Violence Law Center where she is currently the Executive Director. For the seven years prior, Ms. Carroll was the Legal Director at the WA Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs where she provided extensive training and technical assistance to legal advocates and attorneys on a wide range of legal issues impacting rape survivors across Washington State. Ms. Carroll has created numerous legal resource materials, including an attorney practice manual and a *Know Your Rights* booklet for survivors of sexual violence.

Ms. Carroll has been a lecturer at the University of Washington, School of Law and has presented at more than a dozen national conferences on legal issues impacting sexual assault survivors. More recently Ms. Carroll has worked with the WA State Gender & Justice Commission to present *Sexual Violence: Ethics in the Courtroom*, and continues to create resources and training on sexual violence for Washington State judges. Ms. Carroll was also a partner working closely with the American Bar Association Commission on Domestic Violence to create *Standards of Practice for Lawyers Representing Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking in Civil Protection Order* cases.

Ms. Carroll began her advocacy career seventeen years ago as a crisis line counselor for battered women in San Francisco. She has worked with incarcerated women, provided criminal court advocacy for battered women and conducted law enforcement training on responding to domestic violence. Ms. Carroll practiced family law representing battered women in the Bay Area while also volunteering with Bay Area Women Against Rape. She is licensed to practice law in Washington and California.