



**Barbara Jo (Steele) Ansted Wilson** (MHS '67) is an accomplished attorney and Judge. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree at Wittenberg University in 1971. She earned her law degree from Pepperdine University in 1978. She opened her first law office in Fremont Ohio in 1978. In 1981 she became a magistrate and administrator under Sandusky County Court in the Child Support Bureau. Just four years later, she was hired as the first female prosecutor in Sandusky County.

Barb was instrumental in establishing a Family Mediation Program for Sandusky County. She wrote and secured grant money for this program, with the goal of supporting families by reducing conflicts and costs in family, civil, and foreclosure cases. In 2006 Barb began her work as a mediator for Sandusky, Seneca and Ottawa Counties. She was elected to the Sandusky County Common Pleas bench in 2009 and currently serves there as an administrative judge.

Barb has been an instructor at Terra State Community College and serves on the board of several organizations including: Sandusky County Family and Children First Council, Crosswaeh (an inpatient drug treatment facility) and Zion Lutheran Church of Gibsonburg. She mentored troubled teen girls through the Women of Faith group. In 1972 she married Bill Ansted, who is deceased. She has a son, A.J. and daughter-in-law Megan. In 2011 she married Bob Wilson and they reside in Lindsey, Ohio.