

NANCY MAHON

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“In public health, sometimes the farthest distance is the one that is most important to travel.”

After graduating magna cum laude from Yale University in 1986, Nancy Mahon attended New York University School of Law, where she served as editor of the Law Review. She developed an interest in criminal law and became a leading criminal justice expert.

After clerking for two federal judges, Mahon worked as the Director of Research, Policy & Planning for the Osbourne Association, an organization that provides services to prisoners and their families. Philanthropist George Soros named her founding director of the Open Society Institute’s Center on Crime, Communities & Culture.

Mahon later became Executive Director of God’s Love We Deliver (GLWD), a New York City-based organization that provides nutrition to individuals living with HIV and other illnesses. Under Mahon’s direction, GLWD grew rapidly in both its functions and clientele.

Throughout her post-graduate career, Mahon has influenced policy through research and writing. In 1996, the American Journal of Public Health published her groundbreaking article, “New York Inmates’ HIV Risk Behaviors: The Implications for Prevention Policy and Programs.” Numerous academic conferences, including the International Conference on AIDS, have invited her to present research papers. Mahon has been published in The New York Times, and has appeared on media outlets such as National Public Radio, CBS News, ABC’s “World News Tonight” and “The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer.”

Mahon left GLWD in 2006 to join M•A•C Cosmetics as Vice President and Executive Director of the M•A•C AIDS Fund. The Fund has donated over \$80 million to AIDS-related causes. At the M•A•C AIDS Fund, Mahon initiated a grant for research into preventing AIDS among sex workers in Asia.



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