

## **A Biography of:**

### **Marcia Clark**

Ms. Clark began the practice of law in criminal defense (two years as an attorney and two years as a law clerk). She joined the Office of the District Attorney in Los Angeles in 1981 where she handled thousands of cases, ranging from drunk driving to child molestation, armed robbery and murder, four of which were cases in which the death penalty was sought. Three of those defendants now sit on death row.

Marcia tried a number of high profile cases prior to the O,J. Simpson case, including the prosecution of stalker/murderer Robert Bardo, whose conviction for the murder of actress Rebecca Schaeffer resulted in legislation that offered victims better protection from stalkers as well as increased punishment for the offenders.

Since the Simpson trial, Ms. Clark has toured the U.S. and Canada giving lectures on a variety of women's issues including domestic violence and inspirational/motivational speeches, as well as lectures on public service careers, and of course, the Trial of the Century.

In May of 1997, her book on the Simpson case, "Without a Doubt" was published and quickly rose to #1 on the New York Times, Wall St. Journal, Washington Post, LA Times, and Publisher's Weekly bestsellers lists. Her promotional tour for the book took her across the country with appearances on the Today Show, 20/20 with Barbara Walters, the Oprah Winfrey Show, the Tonight Show and CNN's Larry King, just to name a few.

From February 1998 to 2000 Marcia was under contract as a legal analyst and expert commentator for NBC, CNBC and MSNBC. While at the network she worked weekly as a guest host of Geraldo Rivera's "Rivera Live," and substituted regularly when Rivera was on location or vacation. In addition to these duties, she also hosted "Equal Time" for CNBC and "Judge and Jury" for MSNBC.

Marcia has appeared on the "Today" show with Jack Ford, "The Early Show" and a wide variety of shows such as "Hannity and Combs," "The O'Reilly Factor" and Chris Mathews' "Hardball".

On the radio front, she hosted her own talk show for talk radio station KFI called “The Marcia Clark Show,” she also guest hosted shows for talk radio stations KRLA and KLSX and has been a frequent guest on shows as diverse as “The Rick Dees in the Morning Show” and “The Howard Stern Show.”

In May of 1998, Marcia hosted a special for the Fox Network entitled “Lie Detector,” in which participants in high profile cases were interviewed by Ms. Clark before and after submitting to lie detector tests. Among the participants were James Nichols, (brother of Terry Nichols who was convicted of crimes associated with the Oklahoma City bombing) and Jeff Gillooly, (former husband of skater Tanya Harding, who was convicted of the assault on Nancy Kerrigan).

Marcia Clark was under contract in 2001 with the syndicated daytime show “Power of Attorney” and was the only cast member to have a week of featured appearances in the May 2001 sweeps. During this week, ratings spiked by 30%.

Ms. Clark signed with Entertainment Tonight as Special Correspondent in April of 2002 and has reported and commented on the cases of Robert Blake, Winona Ryder, Roman Polanski and most recently, Kobe Bryant, Lacy Peterson and Michael Jackson.

In addition to doing on-air legal analysis and commentary, Marcia has been a guest performer on a number of hour and half-hour primetime series including the primetime CBS drama series “First Monday” and the primetime UPN comedy series “Girlfriends.”

In June of 2002 Ms. Clark signed on with Lifetime as executive consultant for the primetime drama “For the People.” She co-wrote several episodes, including the season finale with creator/executive producer, Catherine LePard.

Marcia Clark (with writing partner, Catherine LePard) has sold a one hour pilot to the FX network and has developed multiple reality projects for CBS. She is currently developing multiple half-hour projects in addition to writing a second book, this one, crime fiction.

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