ANGELA FICK BRALY ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW, 2017

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Angela F. Braly, Indianapolis, Indiana, February, 2017

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SKETCH

Angela Fick Braly was born in 1961 in Kansas City, Missouri, to Hubert J. Fick (1933–1979) and Sharon Stidham Fick (1933–2007). At an early age, her parents moved the family to Richardson, Texas, a suburb of Dallas. After graduating from Richardson High School in 1979, she attended Texas Tech University, where she received her bachelor's degree in business administration and finance in 1982. She completed her law degree from Southern Methodist University in 1985. She married Douglas Braly in 1986 and they moved to the St. Louis, Missouri, area, where she practiced law for ten years as a partner with the law firm, Lewis, Rice & Fingersh.

In 1999, Ms. Braly became the general counsel for RightCHOICE Managed Care, the parent of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Missouri. After WellPoint acquired that company, she was appointed CEO of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Missouri in 2003. Two years later she moved to Indianapolis, Indiana, to serve as executive vice president, general counsel, and chief public affairs officer at WellPoint, Inc., and went on to accept the position of president and CEO there in 2007. Since leaving WellPoint in 2012, she has served on the board of directors of such companies as Brookfield Asset Management, Procter & Gamble, Lowe's, and ExxonMobil. In 2015, she and two other women founded The Policy Circle, a non-profit organization that facilitates women to connect, learn about and discuss public policy, and get involved. She and her husband Doug have three children—Tyler Braly, Matthew Braly, and Rachel Braly. The Bralys currently reside in Indianapolis.

Sources:

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The following interview is one of a collection of oral history interviews devoted to collecting life stories of prominent Indiana women involved in business, education, law, philanthropy, politics, and religion. All of the women interviewed for this project were selected from within the membership of The Gathering, an informal networking group of approximately 175 Indiana women leaders which began around 1990. The Indianapolis Women's Oral History Project (initially known as The Gathering Oral History Project) was organized in 2013 by the members of The Gathering and conducted with the assistance and supervision of the Indiana Historical Society (IHS).

This manuscript was transcribed from a digitally recorded interview conducted on February 15, 2017, at the home of Ms. Braly in Indianapolis, Indiana, by Mary Beth Kohart, a member of The Gathering. DLC Transcriptions transcribed the interview in 2017, and Wendy L. Adams, IHS's director of oral history, lightly edited the transcript in 2019. The interview, which includes the audio recording, the transcript, and a photograph of Ms. Braly, is housed at the William H. Smith Memorial Library, Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center, Indianapolis, Indiana.

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