

Biography - Rabbi Bonnie Margulis



Rabbi Bonnie Margulis is the founder and Executive Director of Wisconsin Faith Voices for Justice and Chair of the Wisconsin Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice, as well as a member of the board of the NAACP of Dane County, and a founder and steering committee member for the Dane Sanctuary Coalition. She was a founding board member of We Are Many – United Against Hate.

Rabbi Margulis holds a Masters' Degree in Judaic Studies from New York University, and was ordained at Hebrew Union College (HUC), Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1992. Rabbi Margulis served for twelve years as the Director of Clergy Programming for the Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice, from 1996 to 2008. In this capacity, Rabbi Margulis ran the Clergy for Choice Network and supervised the Religious Coalition's signature All Options Clergy Counseling program, providing training to clergy in both All Options Clergy Counseling and Pastoral Counseling for Reproductive Losses, and teaching others to provide these trainings.

Rabbi Margulis has served as a member of the Central Conference of American Rabbis Justice and Peace Committee and is a Past Chair of the Women's Rabbinic Network Social Justice Committee. In addition, Rabbi Margulis has served as a member of the J Street National Advisory Board for Field and Grassroots Organizing. Rabbi Margulis is proud to have been a member of the Reform Jewish Movement's Commission on Social Action, where she sat on the Women and Minorities Task Force.

From 1992-1996, Rabbi Margulis served as rabbi of the Blacksburg Jewish Community Center and the Virginia Polytechnic Institute Hillel. During that time, she was also the coordinator of the Shenandoah Friends of Planned Parenthood, a grassroots education and advocacy group dedicated to preserving reproductive freedom. She has taught courses in Judaism and in Hebrew Bible at Washington and Lee University and at James Madison University in Virginia and has been an adjunct faculty member in the Religious Studies Department of Edgewood College, in Madison, WI.