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Maryanne Morse was elected Clerk of the Circuit Court for Seminole County in 1988, taking office on January 1989.

Ms. Morse holds a Bachelor of Science in Economics and Business Administration from Rollins College. Her minor in undergraduate school was Accounting. Her graduate studies included concentration in the areas of Finance and Marketing.

In the area of specialized financial education, she was registered Stock and Commodities Broker as well as having a Life and Health Insurance License.

Prior to her election as Clerk of the Court, Ms. Morse managed the Orlando Law Firm of Whitaker and Koepke for 14 years. In addition, she served as the comptroller of an independent oil and gas drilling company for 12 years.

Active in politics, Ms. Morse served as Secretary of the Republican Party of Florida from 1980 to 1988 and as Republican National Committeewoman for Florida from 1988 until 1996.

Ms. Morse served on various committees of the Greater Seminole Chamber of Commerce, as well as, its President during 1987-1988.

In 2005, Ms. Morse was elected by her peers to serve as Chairperson of the Clerk of Court Operations Corporation. The corporation was established by the legislature to oversee the 67 Clerks of Court budgets and establish performance standards.

As Clerk of the Circuit Court, Ms. Morse has generated more than \$17 million dollars in cash savings over a ten-year period; the savings paid to the Board of County Commissioners; an additional \$3 million dollars was sent to the State of Florida. She has helped fund a countywide fiber optic network for local governments and introduced advanced computer technology and bar coding to the courtroom.

The Ford Foundation and the John F. Kennedy School of Government honored Ms. Morse with the Innovations in American Government award in 1992.