



**Carolyn Ladd  
Miss Oregon 1991**

Carolyn Ladd was Miss Oregon 1991 and to date is the only licensed attorney to compete in the Miss America Pageant. She passed the Oregon bar exam in 1990 and competed in Atlantic City the following year.

For many years, she served on the Executive Board of the Miss Oregon Scholarship Pageant. She sponsors the overall interview and preliminary swimsuit scholarships for the Miss Oregon Pageant. A resident of Seattle, Washington for more than 15 years, she is also a volunteer for the Miss Washington Scholarship Pageant and an honorary member of the Miss Washington Alumnae.

Carolyn has a bachelor's degree in Political Science from the University of Washington, a Juris Doctor from the University of Oregon School of Law, and a Master of Laws (Labor Law) from Georgetown University. Carolyn is a lawyer and executive at a Fortune 50 Company.

She recently walked 100 miles on The Camino de Santiago in Spain, earning a "Compostela" certificate of accomplishment.

**Miss America Impact Statement:**

While I was working on a Master of Laws (Labor Law) at the Georgetown University Law Center in Washington, DC, I had to visit the tuition office to tell them that they would be receiving a scholarship payment on my behalf from the Miss America Organization. The lady in the office looked surprised and said, "Miss America?!" And I said, "Yes, I'm the reigning Miss Oregon. You'll be receiving money from both Miss America and the Miss Oregon Scholarship Pageant." I used my scholarship monies to finish my degree at Georgetown. That degree has enabled me to have a successful career as an employment lawyer."

"But my experience with the Miss America Organization goes far beyond the scholarships I used in 1992. I had leadership and public speaking opportunities that otherwise would not have been available to a 25 year old. I made appearances across my home state of Oregon. I gained valuable interview training that I have used to this day. I have made life-long friends and am still in touch with many of the other contestants who competed together over 20 years ago in Atlantic City. I continue to volunteer my time and donate money to the Miss Oregon and Miss Washington Scholarship Pageants because I believe in the ideals of the organization for young women: Service, Style, Scholarship, and Success."

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