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Founder, Past President and Past Executive Director WIFLE Foundation, Inc.
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Margaret Moore began her law enforcement career in New York City in 1973. While serving as an undercover narcotics police officer in the Organized Crime Control Bureau of the New York City Police Department, she received a Commendation from NYPD for her heroic accomplishments. In June 1976 she swore on as a special agent for Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), and was assigned to the New York Office. ATF, then under the Department of Treasury, enforced the federal firearms, explosives and arson laws.

As a field agent, Ms. Moore continued to work undercover on investigations that netted the government the seizure of over 2000 silencers destined for overseas, numerous weapons purchases and the breakup of a New York-New Jersey organized crime syndicate. While working an arson investigation, she was predominantly responsible for arresting an arson-for-profit ring that included attorneys, insurance adjusters and a sitting judge in Brooklyn, New York. Ms. Moore went on to join other experienced undercover agents at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center to develop an undercover training course for new ATF agents, which still remains in the curriculum today. Ms. Moore was soon promoted into supervision. With continued success came assignments of increased responsibility, including the command and control of two highly successful task forces for the Bureau, in 1989 and 1991 in Washington, D.C. Both of these operations earned ATF high visibility, among other agencies, in the media for its concentrated attack on violent crime. Ms. Moore was again promoted, earning her the title of the agency's first woman Special Agent in Charge (SAC); she served as the SAC for both the Baltimore and Seattle Field Divisions. Again, as the Deputy Assistant Director for Science and Technology with responsibilities that included oversight for the forensics labs, the technology infrastructure, and investigative support functions, she became the highest-ranking woman agent in the agency. In 1999, after 23 years of federal service and many decorations for distinguished service, including the Treasury Department's highest honor, Ms. Moore retired.

In June 1999, Ms. Moore incorporated Women in Federal Law Enforcement, a non-profit organization that she founded, along with several other founding mothers. By September of 1999, while serving as WIFLE's Executive Director, Ms. Moore joined the ranks at Feminist Majority Foundation, a not-for-profit organization where she served as the chief point of contact to federal, state, and local law enforcement for the National Center for Women and Policing (NCWP). Later, as Director of the NCWP, Ms. Moore conducted annual leadership training conferences with a focus on women and leadership, police reforms, and strategies to increase the numbers of women in policing and effectively address violence against women. Ms. Moore, also considered an expert on anti-abortion terrorism, has worked closely with the Department of Justice to deliver training programs for state, local and federal agencies on anti-abortion violence.

In March 2006, Ms. Moore incorporated and founded the WIFLE Foundation where she served as President. Most recently, she founded the WIFLE Executive Leadership Institute, where as chief architect, she planned and delivered a women's leadership conference attended by more than 600 representatives from the federal agencies. After 13 years of leadership within the WIFLE organizations, Ms. Moore officially retired from both WIFLE and the Feminist Majority on December 31, 2012. In her retirement, she continues to serve as an Advisor to the Feminist Majority and as the Chair of the Board for WIFLE. WIFLE remains the only organization in the United States dedicated to providing solutions to issues facing women in federal law enforcement through annual professional leadership training.