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Patricia McGuire has been president of Trinity Washington University since 1989. Previously, she was the assistant dean for development and external affairs at Georgetown University Law Center where she was also an adjunct professor of law. She began her career after law school as the project director for the Street Law clinical program at Georgetown. President McGuire serves on a number of boards including the Consortium of Universities, Cafritz Foundation, College Success Foundation – DC, Catholic Charities DC, United Educators and

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