Judith McAnarney is a recent State government retiree, having served the citizens of Illinois for nearly 40 years. After a brief stint at the Illinois Auditor General's Office as a Performance Auditor, Judith worked at the Illinois Attorney General's Office, including serving in the role of Human Resources Director and EEO Officer. Judith then spent the next 10 plus years at the Illinois Comptroller's Office in the same role. She was also a member of the management bargaining unit contract negotiations team at both agencies.

During the course of her career, she served in exempt positions for 11 constitutional officers of both political parties. The last eight years were spent in the Governor's Office as the Director of Exempt Appointments and Director of External Human Resources. In this capacity she was a member of the team charged with overhauling the Illinois hiring process and the development of a Comprehensive Employment Plan, as a result of the Shakman lawsuit. She worked with the Human Resources Departments in the Governor's Agencies to ensure that exempt positions were filled with qualified individuals.

Judith, a lifelong resident of Springfield, earned a bachelor's degree in business and a master's degree in communication from the University of Illinois/Springfield. She has been married to Barry for 49 years and they have three children and 3 precious grandchildren.

Her interests include social equity and inclusion for all, good government and Autism awareness.