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Maria Hilda Marsiaj Pinto started her career as Federal Prosecutor in 1991. From 2003 to 2007 she held the position of Administrative Chief Prosecutor of the Federal Prosecution Service. More recently, in 2016 and 2017, she acted as Alternate Delegate of The Superior Council of the Brazilian Prosecution Service. In 2019 she was appointed National Secretary of Justice at the Ministry of Justice.

Ms. Marsiaj Pinto graduated in Law at the Catholic University of Rio Grande do Sul (PUC-RS, Brazil) and holds two Master of Laws degrees, one from PUC-RS and another one from the University of Sevilla (Spain). In 2005, she published the book "Public Civil Suit - Foundations of the Active Legitimacy of the Federal Prosecution Service".