

Foreword



Derived from the eponymous Greek god of Homer's mythology, a "mentor" is defined in Webster's Dictionary as a "trusted counselor or guide."

Many of us are lucky to have mentors who come along at times in our lives when we need them most. If we are extremely fortunate, these mentors are wise, kind, generous, caring, and just. One of my most valued mentors fits both the dictionary definition and my personal description of desired mentor traits. Her name is Dr. Mollie Marti.

Both a doctor and a lawyer by training, and a business and success coach by design, Dr. Mollie represents everything one could ask for in a mentor. She is indeed wise, kind generous, caring, and just. And there is something else special about her: everyone who meets her loves her.

I had often wondered just how she got that way. Certainly, to a significant degree, it is the result of a good set of genes: Dr. Mollie came from a family that exemplified goodness. However, another key aspect of it turns out to be . . . *her* mentor. And that is what and who this amazing book is about.

His name was Max Rosenn, and he was a judge. A federal appeals judge, to be exact. However, while this title in itself brings with it much honor and regard, that is just a tiny part of who he was. “Judge,” as he was referred to by the many who loved him, was what in Hebrew would be called a *tzadik*: a righteous man.

Reading through the pages of this delightful and wisdom-filled book, you will meet a man who embodied everything we would want a fellow human being—and especially a person of high influence—to be. He was kind to all, regardless of their status. He was compassionate, charitable, and exceedingly humble. He worked tirelessly right up until he passed (at age ninety-six!) to be sure his decisions from the bench represented justice and fairness to all concerned. That he was also brilliant and hugely respected by his peers is important; the love, regard and appreciation they had for him as a person is even more important, and far more telling.

While reading *Walking with Justice*, you might discover—as I did—that you have found another mentor: Judge Rosenn himself. Fortunately for us, his protégé has done such a beautiful job of relating the lessons she learned from Judge that you’ll be able to determine your best course of action in any given situation by referring back to the book you hold in your hands. If you have any question regarding how to live a good, productive, and righteous life, the answer lies somewhere in these pages. In fact, I would go so far as to say that Dr. Mollie has written a timeless handbook for being human.

Judge Rosenn, I miss you. I only wish I’d had the honor of meeting you. And Dr. Mollie Marti, thank you, thank you, thank you for sharing your mentor with us!

~ Bob Burg, coauthor of the international bestseller *The Go-Giver*

