

The First 50 Women in Idaho Law

MARGARET BEALL CONNELL

December 16, 1911

(1872 – unknown)



Margaret Beall Connell was born in 1872 in Lancaster, Ohio, and moved to Utah after finishing high school. She attended Chicago University through an extension course and then studied for one year at the University of Berlin. Returning to Utah, Connell served as deputy clerk in the United States Courts, spent several years reading the law, and then completed the law course at the University of Utah, with a supplementary special course in brief making.

Connell has the distinction of being the fourth woman admitted to a state bar twice. She was admitted as the fourth woman to the Utah Bar in 1908, after passing an examination before the Utah Supreme Court. And, three years later, on December 16, 1911, Connell was admitted to the Idaho Bar in Boise as its fourth woman.

Connell continued her practice and eventually ended up practicing in Los Angeles, California. Connell was an active member of the several literary and historical clubs, and a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution.