



SANDRA CAMILLO

CANDIDATE PRESIDENT-ELECT

As a young girl Sandy dreamt of becoming either a newspaper reporter like Lois Lane shadowing Superman as he battled the forces of evil or enthralling a jury as the prosecutor in a real-life Law & Order trial. Society however had a different idea regarding the appropriate career choices for women of her generation and dictated that they should happily become nurses, secretaries, or teachers. She originally conformed to this dictate by becoming a teacher, then in her never-ending quest to remain visible, she explored various professions including teacher, school principal, paralegal, receivership specialist, realtor, court appointed special advocate, governance expert and freelance writer. She had her first book, *The Journey of an Invisible Woman* published by Penmore Press last year. It focuses on women struggling to remain visible in a gender biased world. She is currently seeking a publisher for her second book.

Throughout her life, she has dedicated herself to promoting equity for women through advocacy. From 2011-2019, she served as a Director, Secretary and Governance Officer of AAUW, a top-ranked national women's advocacy nonprofit dedicated to empowering women. She presently serves on the board of AAUW NY State as VP of Public Policy and as a member of the NY State Leadership Council of Autism Speaks. She is a micro-blogger, focusing on women's issues and aging, with more than 2,000 followers on X (Twitter). Ms. Camillo holds a bachelor's and master's degree in education, a postgraduate Certification in Administration, a Court Appointed Special Advocate Certification and real estate licenses from New York and Texas.

She is passionate in her belief that every woman deserves to be the mistress of their own destiny and that they must reject the cultural biases that pressure them to have a subservient status to men. Sandy has four children and lives in New York with her husband, dog and cat.