

# 2013 Hall of Fame Inductee

## Ramon J. Morganstern

*Class of 1951*

Ramon J. Morganstern spent his formative years in University City attending Ward Junior High. Following graduation from University City High School in 1951, he attended Washington University, was a Phi Beta Kappa in 1954, and completed his undergraduate and law degree in only six years.

While commissioned as a second lieutenant in the US Army, he commanded an artillery battery in the Panama Canal Zone.

Upon return, he began practicing law with various prestigious law firms in the St. Louis area until his retirement 50 years later.

Having a daughter with disabilities lead him to create the St. Louis Regional Center for the developmentally disabled, which currently serves more than 10,000 individuals throughout their lives. He also established the First Independent Support Living Center to provide homes for the developmentally disabled, where his 47-year old daughter currently resides.

In his years leading to retirement, he devoted much pro bono representation for the disabled including serving as the lead counsel on the landmark Tidrow case, which provided an exemption for funds left in an irrevocable trust.

Morganstern and his wife Lois of 48-years have two daughters and two grandsons, all living near the University City area.



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