

Mary Rasenberger Bio

Mary Rasenberger is the CEO of the Authors Guild and Authors Guild Foundation. Before joining the Guild in November 2014, Mary practiced law for over 25 years in roles that spanned private practice, government, and the corporate sector as a recognized expert in copyright and media law.

From 2002 to 2008 Mary worked for the U.S. Copyright Office and the Library of Congress as senior policy advisor and program director for the National Digital Preservation Program. Immediately prior to coming to the Guild, Mary was a partner at Cowan, DeBaets, Abrahams & Sheppard, and previously counsel at Skadden Arps, where she counseled and litigated on behalf of publishing, media, entertainment, and internet companies, as well as authors and other creators, in all areas of copyright and related rights. Earlier in her career, Mary worked at other major New York law firms and for a major record company.

Mary is a frequent speaker, lecturer, and writer on copyright law and authors' rights. She is on the council of the American Bar Association's Intellectual Property Section, an advisor to the Executive Committee of the Copyright Society of the USA, a founder of Copyright Awareness Week, and an advisor to the American Law Institute's Restatement of Law, Copyright. Mary received her J.D. from Harvard Law School, an M.A. in Philosophy from Boston College, and her B.A. from Barnard College.