



2022 NATIONAL INVENTORS  
HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

**Born:** May 14, 1955

**Primary Connections:**

- Google, 2014-present: Lead of Research Center for Responsible AI and Human Centered Technology; Vice President of Site Reliability Engineering Ads, Corporate Engineering and YouTube; Vice President of Access Strategy and Emerging Markets
- AT&T, 1982-2014: Senior Vice President, Domain 2.0 Architecture and Advanced Services Development; Senior Vice President of Applications and Services Infrastructure; Vice President of the Services Network in Research and Development

**Education:**

- Princeton University: Bachelor's Degree, 1977
- University of Southern California: Ph.D., Quantitative Analysis and Psychology, 1982

**Key memberships/awards:**

- Edison Best New Product Award, Gold, 2014
- U.S. Black Engineer Magazine: Black Engineer of the Year, Outstanding Technical Contribution-Industry, 2014
- R&D Council of New Jersey: Edison Patent Award, 2013

## 10 Things You Need to Know About

# Marian Croak

## VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) Technology

U.S. PATENT NO. 7,599,359

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1. Croak was born in 1955 in New York City.
2. She currently is a member of the Corporate Advisory Board for the Viterbi School of Engineering at her alma mater, the University of Southern California.
3. Croak is also a former board member for such organizations as the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions; Catalyst; the Holocaust and Human Rights Museum (New Jersey); and the National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering.
4. She has received awards for her text-to-donate technology, inspired by Hurricane Katrina in 2005. The technology raised \$130,000 in relief funds.
5. Text donations after the 2010 Haiti earthquake totaled \$43 million.
6. Croak is included in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) Collectible Cards series.
7. She also was featured in the USPTO's SUCCESS (Study of Underrepresented Classes Chasing Engineering and Science Success) Act Report in 2018.
8. Croak is a member of the Women in Technology International Hall of Fame.
9. She has mentored many individuals pursuing STEM careers.
10. Croak has more than 200 U.S. patents.