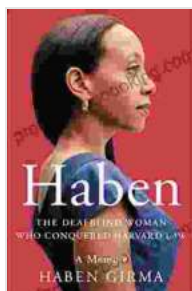


Haben Girma: The Deafblind Woman Who Conquered Harvard Law and Inspired the World

In a world that often sets limits on individuals based on their perceived abilities, Haben Girma stands as a beacon of hope, proving that anything is possible with determination and an unwavering spirit. Her remarkable journey, as chronicled in her memoir, "Haben: The Deafblind Woman Who Conquered Harvard Law," is a testament to the indomitable human potential.

Early Life and Education

Haben Girma was born in 1988 in Oakland, California. From a young age, she faced significant challenges due to a rare genetic condition known as Usher syndrome, which gradually led to the loss of her hearing and vision. Despite these obstacles, Haben's parents instilled in her a belief that she could achieve anything she set her mind to.



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From elementary school through high school, Haben attended mainstream classes with the support of interpreters and assistive technology. She excelled academically, earning top grades and participating in extracurricular activities, including cheerleading. Her determination and resilience inspired her classmates and teachers alike.

Pursuit of Higher Education

After graduating high school, Haben enrolled at Lewis & Clark College in Oregon, where she majored in political science with a minor in disability studies. As a deafblind college student, she faced numerous barriers, but never once did she let them deter her.

Working closely with the Disability Services office, Haben developed innovative strategies to overcome academic challenges. She utilized notetakers, audio recordings, and tactile diagrams to access course materials. She also relied heavily on the support of peer tutors and mentors.

Despite the challenges, Haben thrived in college, graduating with honors in 2010. Her academic success and unwavering determination caught the attention of Harvard Law School, where she was offered a prestigious scholarship.

Conquering Harvard Law

Entering Harvard Law School was a dream come true for Haben, but it also presented a daunting set of challenges. As the first deafblind student in the

school's history, she faced skepticism and doubt. However, Haben refused to be defined by her disability.

With the unwavering support of her family, mentors, and classmates, Haben persevered through the rigorous curriculum. She mastered the art of cold-calling, using a combination of speech, sign language, and note-taking. She also developed unique strategies for navigating the campus and participating in legal clinics.

Throughout her time at Harvard Law, Haben became a trailblazing advocate for disability rights. She testified before Congress on behalf of the Americans with Disabilities Act and co-founded the Disability Law Scholars Network. Her voice and influence inspired countless others to challenge the status quo and fight for equality.

Graduation and Career

In 2013, Haben Girma graduated from Harvard Law School with honors. Her extraordinary accomplishments had transformed the perception of what was possible for individuals with disabilities.

After graduation, Haben joined the Disability Rights Advocates law firm in Berkeley, California. She quickly established herself as a highly skilled and compassionate advocate, representing clients with disabilities in cases involving education, employment, and access to justice.

Haben's work has had a profound impact on the lives of countless individuals. She has successfully challenged discriminatory practices, secured reasonable accommodations, and paved the way for greater inclusion for people with disabilities.

Inspiration and Advocacy

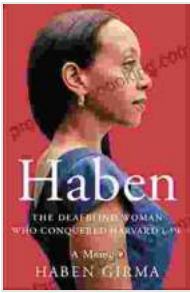
Beyond her legal work, Haben Girma has become a renowned speaker, author, and advocate for disability rights. She has shared her journey of overcoming adversity and achieving success on platforms such as TED, the United Nations, and the White House.

Through her memoir, "Haben," Haben inspires readers to challenge societal norms and embrace their own unique strengths. She encourages them to believe in themselves, even when others doubt them.

Haben's advocacy work extends beyond disability rights. She is a passionate advocate for education reform, social justice, and intersectionality. She believes that everyone deserves an equal opportunity to succeed and that we must work together to create a more just and inclusive society.

Haben Girma is a true inspiration to all who dare to dream big. Her incredible journey is a reminder that anything is possible with determination, resilience, and a belief in oneself. Her achievements have not only shattered stereotypes but have also transformed the lives of countless individuals with disabilities.

Haben's memoir, "Haben: The Deafblind Woman Who Conquered Harvard Law," is an essential read for anyone seeking encouragement, hope, and a deeper understanding of the power of the human spirit. Her story is a testament to the indomitable human potential and the importance of creating a world where everyone has the opportunity to reach their full potential.



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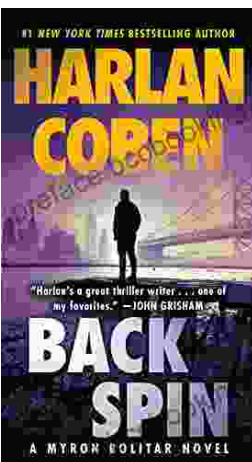
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