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Rob Anthony has been with CNA since June 2007. He is responsible for the day to day oversight and underwriting of the NYSBA's Lawyers Professional Liability Program for CNA. He is also responsible for overseeing Lawyers Programs in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and Michigan.

Prior to joining CNA Rob helped launch the professional liability programs unit with Arch Insurance where he was responsible for oversight of the California State Bar program. He has been in Lawyers Professional Liability for 13 years and has been continuously underwriting attorneys in New York since he began his career in professional liability.

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Ms. Baiamonte was admitted to the Bar in January, 1994. Since admission to the Bar, Ms. Baiamonte has been engaged exclusively in the practice of matrimonial and family law.

Ms. Baiamonte is a graduate of Brandeis University (B.S., cum laude, 1990) and Syracuse University College of Law (J.D., magna cum laude, 1993; Senior Notes and Comments Editor, Syracuse Law Review), where she received the Order of the Coif. After graduating law school, Ms. Baiamonte was an associate of the Garden City firm of DaSilva & Keidel from October 1993 through February 1996. During this time, she was Associate Editor of the Domestic Relations Reporter, a legal publication by Matthew Bender. In March, 1996, Ms. Baiamonte became an associate of Stephen Gassman, Esq., a renowned leader in the field of matrimonial and family law. Ms. Baiamonte was named a member of the firm on August 1, 2007, at which time the firm was renamed Gassman, Baiamonte, Betts & Tannenbaum, P.C. In April 2011, the firm became known as Gassman Baiamonte Gruner, P.C..

Since 1994, Ms. Baiamonte has been and remains an active member of the Nassau County Bar Association. She has served on the Executive Committee of the Matrimonial Law Committee since July 2009; and effective July 1, 2015, she began her two-year term as Chair of this Committee. In June 2014, she received The Richard J. Keidel Memorial Award in recognition of her contributions as a skilled advocate, leader and her professionalism in the practice of Matrimonial Law. Ms. Baiamonte served on the NCBA Judiciary Committee from July 2009 through June 2015 (serving as Vice Chair from July 2013-June 2014, and as Chair from July 2014-June 2015). Ms. Baiamonte received the Bar Association's 2014-2015 Directors' Award for Outstanding Service as Chair of the Judiciary Committee. Ms. Baiamonte was installed as a member of the NCBA Board of Directors in June 2013.

Ms. Baiamonte is also an active member of the New York State Bar Association. She was appointed to the Executive Committee of the Family Law Section in July 2011, and was installed as Financial Officer of the Section in June 2014. Ms. Baiamonte also serves as a Co-Chair of the Continuing Legal Education Committee.



Ms. Baiamonte has served as an Arbitrator in the Early Neutral Evaluation Program in the Nassau County Supreme Court, and currently serves as a Discovery Referee in the Matrimonial Center as well as a Part 137 Fee Arbitrator for the 10th Judicial District. Ms. Baiamonte is a frequent lecturer on various matrimonial topics for the New York State and Nassau County Bar Associations and Nassau Academy of Law. She has appeared as a guest lecturer at various law schools (C.W. Post and St. John's University School of Law) and other Bar groups; and she has been invited by Justices of the Nassau County Supreme Court to address Law Interns on the topic of legal research and writing.

Ms. Baiamonte is an Editor of Library of New York Matrimonial Law Forms, a 1,350+ page compendium of matrimonial law forms available through the New York Law Journal (©2012).

Ms. Baiamonte has extensive experience dealing with a full range of matrimonial issues, among them: agreements (pre-nuptial, post-nuptial, and separation), custody and visitation, equitable distribution, spousal and child support issues, license and professional practice valuations, enforcement and modification proceedings, awards of counsel fees and experts' fees. Ms. Baiamonte has extensive appellate advocacy experience, having prosecuted and defended dozens of appeals involving complex matrimonial and family law issues, most notably: *Perdios v. Perdios*, 2016 WL 229383, 2016 N.Y. Slip Op. 00349 (2nd Dept., 2016); *Beroza v. Hendler*, 109 A.D.3d 498, 970 N.Y.S.2d 313 (2nd Dept., 2013); *Goncalves v. Goncalves*, 105 A.D.3d 901, 963 N.Y.S.2d 686 (2nd Dept., 2013); *Chesner v. Chesner*, 95 A.D.3d 1252, 945 N.Y.S.2d 409 (2nd Dept., 2012); *Beroza v. Hendler*, 71 A.D.3d 615, 896 N.Y.S.2d 144 (2nd Dept., 2010); *Kriftcher v. Kriftcher*, 59 A.D.3d 392, 874 N.Y.S.2d 153 (2nd Dept., 2009); *DeMille v. DeMille*, 5 A.D.3d 428, 774 N.Y.S.2d 156 (2nd Dept., 2004); *DeMille v. DeMille*, 32 A.D.3d 411, 820 N.Y.S.2d 111 (2nd Dept., 2006); *Matter of Brim v. Combs*, 25 A.D.3d, 691, 808 N.Y.S.2d 735 (2nd Dept., 2006); *Matter of Brim v. Combs*, 17 A.D.3d 361, 792 N.Y.S.2d 568 (2nd Dept., 2005); *Klein v. Klein*, 296 A.D.2d 533, 745 N.Y.S.2d 569 (2nd Dept., 2002); *Rindos v. Rindos*, 264 A.D.2d 722, 694 N.Y.S.2d 735 (2nd Dept., 1999); and *Vigliotti v. Vigliotti*, 260 A.D.2d 470, 688 N.Y.S.2d 198 (2nd Dept., 1999).

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Since 1996, Cliff Ennico has worked as a "general counsel" or "Wall Street lawyer" to hundreds of small businesses, entrepreneurs, franchise owners, self-employed professionals, not-for-profit entities, and other business clients throughout the northeastern United States. He graduated magna cum laude from Dartmouth College in 1975, and got his law degree from Vanderbilt University School of Law in 1980, where he was Articles Editor of the Vanderbilt Law Review.

During the 1980s, Cliff worked for a succession of law firms in New York City, where he specialized in corporate finance, venture capital and securities law. After a brief stint during the early 1990s as in-house counsel for General Electric Capital Corp., Cliff worked as a corporate/business lawyer for two Connecticut law firms before launching my own practice in 1996.

Cliff is admitted to practice law in New York and Connecticut, and am in good standing in both states. Cliff focuses on representing entrepreneurs, small business owners and self-employed professionals.

In addition to being a lawyer, Cliff also is:

- The author of several law books for West Group, a leading U.S. legal publisher, including a best-selling collection of legal forms called Forms for Small Business Entities.
- The author of Succeeding in Your Business™, a weekly business advice column that appears in dozens of newspapers nationwide as well as [www.entrepreneur.com](http://www.entrepreneur.com) and other business-oriented Web sites.
- The former host of MoneyHunt, the popular PBS television show about entrepreneurs;
- An instructor for eBay University, where I advise entrepreneurs nationwide on legal and tax implications of buying and selling goods on eBay, the nation's leading internet auction site.



- The author of *Small Business Survival Guide*, a collection of useful tricks for dealing with the 12 biggest enemies you will face when you run your own business.
- The author of *The eBay Seller's Tax and Legal Answer Book*, the best - and ONLY - comprehensive guide to the legal and tax rules that apply when you're selling on eBay, the world's leading auction marketplace.
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Mr. Gerstenzang commenced his legal career as a prosecutor for the United States Army in the Republic of Vietnam. From 1972 to 1975, he was an Assistant District Attorney for the County of Albany. Certified as a breath test operator, he taught at the New York State Police Academy in their Breath Test Training Program for 12 years. Mr. Gerstenzang currently serves as a Dean Emeritus and Fellow of the National College for DUI Defense, which holds an annual seminar in Cambridge, Massachusetts on the campus of Harvard Law School. He previously served on NCDD's Board of Regents from 2003 to 2013, as Assistant Dean in 2012-2013, and Dean in 2013-2014. His book, Handling the DWI Case in New York, published annually by Thomson/West, is considered a standard reference for the defense of Driving While Intoxicated cases.

Mr. Gerstenzang is a regular lecturer for the New York State Bar Association (Chair, Big Apple Program held annually in May, in New York City, and Chair, Representing a DWI Defendant in New York from Arraignment to Disposition, September – October, 2010); the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers/ National College for DUI Defense (Annual DUI Seminar, Las Vegas, Nevada 2012); the New York State Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers; the New York State Defenders Association; Albany County Bar Association; the New York State Magistrates Association; the San Diego Public Defenders



Office; and Impaired Driving Specialists, LLC, Atlanta, Georgia; Delaware County Bar Association; Columbia County Magistrates Association; Suffolk County Bar Association; Suffolk County Magistrates Association; Westchester County Court Clerks Association; and Suffolk County Court Clerks Association. Mr. Gerstenzang teaches for various law enforcement, defense and judicial associations. In addition, he has lectured for the New York State Office of Court Administration Judges Training Program.



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Carol Schiro Greenwald, Ph.D, both a strategist and coach, helps her clients to combine management and marketing techniques to increase profitability. She shows individuals and firms how to structure their client service and legal practice around their best clients. Her approach is captured in her book, *Build Your Practice the Logical Way – Maximize Your Client Relationships* (First chair Press, American Bar Association, 2012) which provides a guide to growing a practice by fully implementing three strategies:

- Understand key clients in their own world in order to be a proactive resource for them,
- Create client-focused communication and legal process protocols, and
- Prospect for new clients similar to the best current clients.

Carol also coaches and trains individual attorneys in the personal skills needed for excellence in client service, business development and leadership.

### **Selected Services**

- Client-centric audit of firm practices
- Client-centric firm strategies
- Client-focused research – in terms of the client’s world and/or relevant firm services
  - Top client “80/20” analysis
- Client relationship — communication skills and protocols
- Cross-selling and lateral integration programs
- Partner and client one-on-one interviews
- Personal skills training and coaching programs
- Prospect targeting programs
- Referral relationship strategies
- Retreats – plan, lead, keynote speaker
- Targeted growth plans for firms, practice groups and/or individuals



### **Professional Background**

Carol has worked in-house directing marketing, business development, marketing research, marketing communications and training programs for a variety of well-known professional services firms including Whitman Breed Abbott & Morgan LLP [now Winston & Strawn], Haight, Gardner, Poor & Havens [now Holland & Knight], Richard A. Eisner & Company, LLP [now EisnerAmper], KPMG Peat Marwick, BDO Seidman, and Grant Thornton. She was also a consultant with the MarketForce division of Hildebrandt International before starting her own consultancy in 2000.

Carol is a well-known speaker, author and contributor to many periodicals. She is currently a Co-Chair of the Law Practice Management Committee, Westchester County Bar Association; a member of the NYSBA Law Practice Management Committee and an ABA law practice division 'Active.' She is Past President of the Legal Marketing Association, Metropolitan New York Chapter. Carol is also a Fellow of the prestigious College of Law Practice Management.

She graduated cum laude from Smith College, Northampton, MA, received an M.A. in international relations from Hunter College, CUNY and a Ph.D. in comparative constitutional and legal systems from The Graduate Center, CUNY. She did post-doctoral research on the federal court system as an Eli Lilly Fellow at the Bunting Institute of Radcliffe College.



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Patrick J. Higgins has tried multiple cases to verdict in state and federal courts. He has also defended claims against architects and engineers, and represented clients in CERCLA and Navigation law actions. He represents clients on complex commercial, corporate and personal injury and litigation matters.

**Education**

State University of New York, College at Oneonta, B.S., 1981  
State University of New York, Buffalo School of Law, J.D., 1984

**Admissions**

New York State Courts  
United States District Court for the Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western Districts of New York  
United States Court of Appeals, Second Circuit  
United States Supreme Court

**Professional Experience**

Listed as AV Preeminent in Martindale Hubbell™.  
Board Certified by the National Board of Trial Advocacy in Trial Practice<sup>1</sup>.  
Graduate of the National Institute of Trial Attorneys' Master Advocate Program  
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Author and lecturer on litigation and trial tactics.  
Recognized by the New York State Bar Association as a distinguished author and editor in the field of trial practice.  
Created and chaired a six city seminar for the New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers on Trial Preparation which received the Academy's 2014 President's Award.  
Member of the Third Judicial District Independent Judicial Election Qualifications Commission – 2007 through 2013.  
Past member of the New York State Bar Association's House of Delegates.  
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**Education**

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**Professional Background**

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Emphasis in Criminal, Personal Injury Litigation, Business and Commercial Law, and Business Coaching. I am the personal owner of this law practice with three employees and one independent contractor. I personally manage this office dealing with such issues as goal setting, creating a business manual, the hiring and firing of employees, negotiating all contracts, dealing with any problems concerning the real estate leases, contracts and other business problems. I also assist clients in dealing with all service agencies and various strategic systems to maximize their businesses.

KURTZMAN, LIPTON, MATERA, GUROCK & SCUDERI, LLP, Partner, 2001 – 2003  
Emphasis in Criminal, Personal Injury, Real Estate, Bankruptcy, Wills & Estates I was the senior partner in a ten-man law office with approximately 25+ employees. I helped create and develop one of the largest Rockland County law firms. During the period of time our two offices were merged, I made decisions on a host of business solutions, including but not limited to goal setting, business management, hiring and firing of personnel, working out lease problems, making sure that services were provided to our large law practice, dealing with 401K plans, retirement benefits, health insurance, phone systems, computer systems, cable companies, utilities, other sub-tenants and various other business related problems.

OFFICES OF GARY L. LIPTON, ESQ., Owner, 1990 – 2001  
Emphasis in Criminal, Personal Injury, Real Estate and Commercial/Business Law

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ASSISTANT PUBLIC DEFENDER, ROCKLAND COUNTY, Part Time, 1982 – 1994  
Criminal Defense, Violations, Misdemeanors, Felonies, VTL and DWI Cases and Violations  
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Prosecuted J.D., PINS, Abuse & Neglect Cases, Support and Paternity Cases and various  
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Mike Mooney is the Senior Vice President and Professional Liability Practice Leader for USI Affinity. Mike's responsibility is to drive growth and provide strategic leadership in the area of professional liability. Mike's key focus is the management and development of existing programs, new programs, business development and marketing planning. Mike oversees the underwriting, operations, and sales departments that support the professional liability programs.

.Mike is also responsible for coordinating the program management for USI Affinity's endorsed insurance programs, including The New York State Bar Association, The New Jersey State Bar Association, DC Bar, Boston Bar, and Exponent Philanthropy.

With more than 10 years of industry experience, Mike has worked extensively on many facets of insurance programs for professional service firms. Prior to joining USI Affinity, Mike spent over 8 years with Aon in a variety of management roles. Most notably, Mike was the Assistant Vice President and National Sales Manager for Aon Affinity's Healthcare Division, and also spent time as the National Sales Manager for the AICPA Accountant's Professional Liability Program.

Mike currently sits on the Law Practice Management Services Committee of the DC Bar. Mike is a regular speaker and panelist for the Law Practice Sections of the NYSBA, NJSBA, and NJICLE regarding Insurance and Risk Management topics relative to the legal industry.

Mike holds a Property and Casualty Insurance License in New Jersey and many non-resident Producer Licenses in a variety of other states. He graduated from Rowan University in New Jersey with a Bachelors Degree in Business Management.



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For more than 35 years, Ms. Rice has concentrated her practice on the representation of attorneys and risk management for lawyers. Ms. Rice holds the AV® Peer Review Rating from Martindale- Hubbell, its highest rating for ethics and legal ability, has been designated a Super Lawyer annually since 2008 and was assigned a “superb” AVVO rating. In 2012, Long Island Business News named Ms. Rice as one of the 50 most influential women on Long Island.

Ms. Rice is the Chair of the New York State Bar Association Law Practice Management Committee, a member of the NYSBA Bar Journal editorial board and an alternate member of the NYSBA Nominating Committee. In addition to having authored a column for the American Bar Association Law Practice Management Magazine, Ms. Rice is a Past President of the 5,000 member Nassau County Bar Association, the largest suburban bar association in the country. In 2014, Ms. Rice was awarded the NCBA President’s Award for service to the Association and in 2015, she was honored by the St. John’s Law School Alumni Nassau Chapter.

Ms. Rice also served as an ABA Presidential appointee to the ABA Standing Committee on Lawyer's Professional Liability from 2009 through 2012 and was Chair of the New York State Bar Association - Committee for Insurance Programs from 2008 to 2013. Ms. Rice is a member of the Professional Liability Underwriting Society; the Defense Association of New York and the Defense Research Institute.

In addition to being a New York State Bar Association Presidential appointee to the Task Force on Non-Lawyer Ownership and the Special Committee on Legal Specialization, Ms. Rice has served on the Torts, Insurance and Compensation Law Section. Her prior roles at the Nassau County Bar Association include President 2012-2013, President Elect 2011-2012, First Vice President 2010-2011, Second Vice President 2009-2010, Treasurer 2008-2009, Secretary 2007-2008, Director 2004-2007, Judiciary Committee (Chair 2015-2016 and 2006-2007), Vice-Chair (2005-2006), Strategic Planning Committee (Chair 2005-2006) (Vice-Chair 2003-2005), Nassau Lawyer/Publications Committee (Editor in Chief 2006



2007) (Co- Managing Editor 2005-2006). She is also a member of Nassau-Suffolk Trial Lawyers and the Suffolk County Bar Association.

Ms. Rice has authored materials for numerous publications and newsletters, including the New York Law Journal, BNA publications, the New York State Bar Journal and Nassau Lawyer, and has lectured for the Professional Liability Underwriting Society, the ABA Standing Committee on Lawyer's Professional Liability, PLI, the National Legal Malpractice and Risk Management Conference, the Nassau and Suffolk County Bar Associations, the New York State Bar Association, the New York City Bar and the American Conference Institute, as well as for various law firms, insurers, law schools and trade associations, at seminars covering such diverse topics as Risk Management and Loss Prevention for Attorneys, The Elements of and Defenses to a Legal Malpractice Action, Legal Malpractice Principles and Trial Strategy, The Anatomy of a Disciplinary Proceeding, What Damages are Recoverable and What are the Limitations?, What Makes Lawyers Happy?, Representing the Client with Greater Concerns, Ethical Issues with Email, Cyber-Security and Law Firms, Federal Statutes Affecting Attorneys, Preparing, Defending and Preventing Claims Stemming From Tax Shelter Advice, Social Media and Ethics, Whither Privity?, Defending Attorneys with Psychological Difficulties, Can the Jury Award That? Beyond Out of Pocket Damages in Professional Liability Cases, Avoiding Malpractice and Client Grievances, Protecting Your Practice, Top Ten Traps (resulting in malpractice claims and grievances), Disqualification of Legal Malpractice Experts, Identification and Resolution of Conflicts of Interest, Risk Management for Defense Attorneys, Ethics in the Wake of the New Rules of Professional Conduct; Law Practice Management under the New York Rules of Professional Conduct; Ethics in the Profession, Anatomy of a Legal Malpractice Action, Don't Make Malpractice Your Nightmare, Improving Communication Skills with Clients, Legal Malpractice Issues and Trends, Risks Presented by Law Firm Mergers, Risk Management Techniques for Real Estate Attorneys, Risk Management Techniques for Matrimonial Attorneys, Risk Management Techniques for Trust and Estate Attorneys, Starting Your Own Law Practice, Ethical Issues Confronting Claims Attorneys in Handling and Evaluating Claims and Attorney Liability under the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act.

From 1999 to 2003, Ms. Rice administered the Attorney Loss Prevention Hotline Service for the broker responsible for the NYSBA sponsored professional liability insurer.

Ms. Rice received her Juris Doctorate from St. John's University School of Law, Jamaica, New York in 1979 and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Fordham College at Fordham University in 1976. She was admitted to practice before the Courts of the State of New York in 1980 and is also admitted before the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, as well as several other jurisdictions on a pro hac vice basis.

From 1984 to 2000, Ms. Rice was a Governor-appointed member of the Council for the State University of New York Maritime College at Fort Schuyler.





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For 2015/2016, she held the position of Chair of the NYSBA’s Torts, Insurance and Compensation Law (“TICL”) Section, one of the largest NYSBA sections with a membership of over two thousand attorneys. She is also TICL’s first Black woman and first Latina to ever hold an Officer position and is proud to represent the diversity of professionals in the legal community; a passion and cause she has actively pursued during her career.

Mirna is also a member of NYSBA’s Committee on Diversity and Inclusion, as well as its Committee on Continuing Legal Education, where she is the Chair of the Subcommittee on Diversity and Inclusion. Mirna has been featured in Latina Magazine and on NBC News speaking about the Afro-Latina experience.

**Bar & Court Admissions:**

State Courts of New York; U.S. District Court for the Southern, Eastern, and Western Districts of New York.

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Prior to 2002, Ms. Scalise was Deputy AAG General in Charge of Public Advocacy for the Westchester Region for the NY Attorney General's Office and handled cases involving consumer frauds, civil rights and public integrity matters. Before that, she was Deputy Chief Counsel to the Departmental Disciplinary Committee for the First Judicial Department where she investigated and litigated complex disciplinary matters. She began her career as an ADA in Kings County, where she handled economic crimes and arson cases. Ms. Scalise received a Juris Doctor from Brooklyn Law School, a Bachelor of Arts Degree from John Jay College, CUNY and also earned a Master of Arts Degree in Forensic Psychology from the John Jay College Graduate School, CUNY.

In 2016, Ms. Scalise was appointed to the NYS OCA CLE Board by Chief Judge Janet DiFiore. She also testified before the 2105 OCA State Commission on Professional Discipline with regard to attorney mental health issues and the materials she authored were annexed to the Commission's Report which issued recommendations as to the unification of the NYS disciplinary process.

Active in several bar associations, she is a member of the New York State Bar Association (NYSBA), where she Chaired the Continuing Legal Education (CLE) Committee for five years and serves as a member on the Attorney Professionalism Committee. She is a past Vice President of the Women's Bar Association of the State of New York (WBASNY), where she currently Co-chairs the Professional Ethics Committee. She is a past President of the Westchester Women's Bar Association (WWBA), Co-chairing its Grievance/Ethics Committee and a past President of the White Plains Bar Association (WPBA). She serves as



Outreach Co-chair for both the WPBA and the WWBA and is actively involved in educational programs, including Take Your Children to Work Day, Law Day and Career Day. A member of the American Bar Association (ABA), she served on its Public Sector Lawyer's Division's Ethics and CLE Committee. She is also a member of the New York County Lawyers Association (NYCLA), serving as a Board Member of its Ethics Institute. She served as the Westchester County Bar Association's (WCBA) Co-chair of the Ethics and Professional Responsibility Committee for two years. As a member of the New Rochelle Bar Association (NRBA), she serves as a Small Claims Court Arbitrator in the New Rochelle City Court. She is also a member of the Federal Bar Council (FBC), the New York State Trial Lawyers Association (NYSTLA), the Brooklyn Columbian Lawyers Association, the Westchester Columbian Lawyers Association and the Eastchester Bar Association.

Ms. Scalise is a frequent CLE lecturer for the: Appellate Division, First, Second and Third Departments; NYS Judicial Institute; NYSBA; NYSTLA; PLI; WBASNY; NYCLA, WWBA; WCBA; WPBA; NRBA; FBC; Brooklyn Women's Bar Association; Rockland County Women's Bar Association; NYS Supreme Court Judges Association; NYS Magistrate's Association; NYC Civil and Housing Court Judges; Association; Pace University Law School CLE Program; St. John's University Law School CLE Program; Fordham Law School CLE Program; CUNY Law School CLE Program; NY Civil and Criminal Trial Attorneys Association; NYS Association of Disciplinary Attorneys; and NY County Supreme Court Arbitrators.

In 2016, Ms. Scalise coached Pace Law School's Team in the National Ethics Trial Competition Team at the Pacific McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento, California. She was an Adjunct Professor at Fordham Law School, where she taught Professional Responsibility; a faculty member of the Cardozo Law School Intensive Trial Advocacy Program; and a guest lecturer on professional responsibility and ethics at Brooklyn Law School, Columbia Law School, Cardozo Law School, Pace Law School and John Jay College.

Ms. Scalise contributed a chapter to Oxford University Press's *The New York Rules of Professional Conduct: Opinions, Commentary, and Case Law*, a treatise discussing ethical conduct. Ms. Scalise also contributes articles related to professional responsibility and ethics issues for among others, the NYSBA Journal and State Bar News; the WBASNY and WWBA Newsletters; the WCBA Bar Journal; and the NYSTLA Bill of Particulars. In 2014, the firm received the WWBA's Family Friendly Award. In 2012, Ms. Scalise received WBASNY's Marilyn Menge Award, and in 2009, Ms. Scalise received the Westchester County Above the Bar Pace Setter Award. She was the subject of a profile in the ABA's Student Lawyer Magazine in its February 2005 issue.



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