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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 Betts, PC. In November 2016, the firm was renamed Gassman Baiamonte Gruner, P.C.

Since 1994, Ms. Baiamonte has been and remains an active member of the Nassau County Bar Association. She served on the Executive Committee of the Matrimonial Law Committee since July 2009; and she is the immediate past Chair of the Matrimonial Law Committee, serving a 2-year term July 2015 – June 2017. 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 has served as a member of the NCBA Board of Directors (2013-2016), and was installed as Secretary of the Nassau County Bar Association in June 2018.

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. She has served as NYSBA's Financial Officer (2014-2016), Secretary (2016-2018) and is currently the Vice Chair of the Family Law Section. Ms. Baiamonte also serves as a Co-



Chair of the Continuing Legal Education Committee, a position she has held since 2014, as well as Program Co-Chair of the Section's Annual and Summer Meetings.

Ms. Baiamonte was recently installed as a Fellow of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, New York Chapter.

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 10<sup>th</sup> 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: *DeFilippis v. DeFilippis*, 2017 WL 99149, 2017 N.Y. Slip Op. 00147 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dept., 2017); *Barnes-Levitin v. Levitin*, 131 A.D.3d 98716 N.Y.S.3d 460 (Mem) (2<sup>nd</sup> Dept., 2015); *Beroza v. Hendler*, 109 A.D.3d 498, 970 N.Y.S.2d 313 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dept., 2013); *Goncalves v. Goncalves*, 105 A.D.3d 901, 963 N.Y.S.2d 686 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dept., 2013); *Chesner v. Chesner*, 95 A.D.3d 1252, 945 N.Y.S.2d 409 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dept., 2012); *Beroza v. Hendler*, 71 A.D.3d 615, 896 N.Y.S.2d 144 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dept., 2010); *Kriftcher v. Kriftcher*, 59 A.D.3d 392, 874 N.Y.S.2d 153 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dept., 2009); *DeMille v. DeMille*, 5 A.D.3d 428, 774 N.Y.S.2d 156 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dept., 2004); *DeMille v. DeMille*, 32 A.D.3d 411, 820 N.Y.S.2d 111 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dept., 2006); *Matter of Brim v. Combs*, 25 A.D.3d, 691, 808 N.Y.S.2d 735 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dept., 2006); *Matter of Brim v. Combs*, 17 A.D.3d 361, 792 N.Y.S.2d 568 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dept., 2005); *Klein v. Klein*, 296 A.D.2d 533, 745 N.Y.S.2d 569 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dept., 2002); *Rindos v. Rindos*, 264 A.D.2d 722, 694 N.Y.S.2d 735 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dept., 1999); and *Vigliotti v. Vigliotti*, 260 A.D.2d 470, 688 N.Y.S.2d 198 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dept., 1999).

Ms. Baiamonte was born in Palermo, Italy. She is married with two children, and resides in Bayside, New York.



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Alice M Breeding has been a practicing attorney in the Capital Region since 2004. After working as an associate for many years, she opened her own firm in 2013. She specializes in the representation of buyers, sellers and lenders in connection with residential real estate transactions. Guiding the first-time homebuyer through the process and transforming them into the well-informed homebuyer is a large focus for her practice. She is committed to making the home buying and home selling process as smooth and stress free as possible.

Ms. Breeding also issues title insurance through Westcor Land Title Insurance Company as her firm's title insurance underwriter and has previously worked with Stewart Title Insurance Company and Chicago Title Insurance Company.

Ms. Breeding lives and practices in Clifton Park, NY. She lives with her 2 dogs: Mister Arnie Palmer and Princess Tallulah Belle.

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Professional Affiliations	New York State Bar Association
	Real Property Law Section
	Member of Executive Committee – 3 <sup>rd</sup> District
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	Member of Membership Committee
	General Practice Section
	Family Law Section
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Mae Avila D'Agostino is a United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York. At the time of her appointment in 2011, she was a trial attorney with the law firm of D'Agostino, Krackeler, Maguire & Cardona, PC. Judge D'Agostino is a 1977 magna cum laude graduate of Siena College in Loudonville, New York. At Siena College Judge D'Agostino was a member of the women's basketball team. After graduating from College, she attended Syracuse University College of Law, receiving her Juris Doctor degree in May of 1980. At Syracuse University College of Law, she was awarded the International Academy of Trial Lawyers award for distinguished achievement in the art and science of advocacy.

After graduating from Law School, Judge D'Agostino began her career as a trial attorney. She has tried numerous civil cases including medical malpractice, products liability, negligence, and civil assault.

Judge D'Agostino is a past chair of the Trial Lawyers Section of the New York State Bar Association and is a member of the International Academy of Trial Lawyers and the American College of Trial Lawyers.

Judge D'Agostino has participated in numerous Continuing Legal Education programs. She is an Adjunct Professor at Albany Law School where she teaches Medical Malpractice. She is a past member of the Siena College Board of Trustees, and Albany Law School Board of Trustees. She is a member of the New York State Bar Association and Albany County Bar Association.



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Jennifer Feeley is a Staff Attorney in the Albany office of Disability Rights New York (DRNY). She is in the Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (PADD) Program. In her role Jennifer has represented and worked with children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities in a wide range of civil rights issues including special education, access to community based services, guardianship restorations, employment discrimination, and monitoring or investigating facilities and prisons under DRNY's access authority.

Jennifer began her legal career as an Assistant District Attorney in the Sex Crimes Bureau at the Brooklyn District Attorney's Office prosecuting sex crimes. After her time as an Assistant District Attorney she worked as an associate in private practice. In this position, she represented families in special education matters at IEP meetings, mediations, resolution sessions, impartial hearings and appeals. Then, prior to joining DRNY, Jennifer practiced in Manhattan Family Court representing the Administration for Children's Services on abuse and neglect cases.

Jennifer is a graduate of the CUNY School of Law, and is admitted to practice in New York State and the Southern and Eastern Districts.



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Joseph Gerstenzang is an associate at the law firm of Gerstenzang, Sills, Cohn & Gerstenzang. He received his Bachelor's Degree from Boston University. He is a 2011 magna cum laude graduate of Albany Law School, where he served as a Senior Editor of the Albany Law Review. During Law School, Joseph interned at the District Attorney's Offices in Rensselaer, Albany and Schenectady counties.

Joseph has also lectured across the state about how to handle a DWAI drugs case.

Since joining the firm, Joseph's practice has focused on the defense of driving while intoxicated and driving while ability impaired by drugs cases.



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Joanne Macri currently serves as the Statewide Chief Implementation Attorney for the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services (ILS) where she is currently engaged in the statewide implementation of criminal defense reforms as proposed in the Hurrell-Harring v. New York settlement agreement. She previously served as the ILS Director of Regional Initiatives where she developed and implemented a network of statewide Regional Immigration Assistance Centers. Ms. Macri also currently serves as a member of the New York Office of Court Administration Advisory Council on Immigration Issues in Family Court, co-chair of the New York State Bar Association (NYSBA) Committee on Immigration Representation and NYSBA Committee on the Standards of Attorney Conduct.

Prior to joining ILS, Ms. Macri served as the director of the Criminal Defense Immigration Project (CDIP) and the Immigrant Defense Project of the New York State Defenders Association (NYSDA) where she has provided immigration support to criminal and family law attorneys across New York State and conducted numerous continuing legal education trainings on the immigration consequences of New York criminal convictions and family court dispositions. She was also an adjunct professor at Sage College and at the State of New York University at Buffalo Law School where she has taught courses on prisoners' rights law, U.S. immigration law, immigration law practice and criminal/immigration law for several years.

For her service, Ms. Macri was recognized by the New York State Bar Association (NYSBA) Criminal Justice Section for her Outstanding Contribution to Criminal Law Education, the NYSBA Committee to Ensure Mandated Quality Representation and Prisoners' Legal Services of New York for her commitment to providing support to indigent representation. She was also recognized by the Upstate New York Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA) as the 2015 recipient of the Mark T. Kenmore Mentor of the Year Award. Most recently, Ms. Macri received the Unsung Hero Award for Government Services as an Albany Law School Alumni and was honored by the New York State Defenders Association as the first female attorney recipient of the Wilfred R. O'Connor award for her commitment to client-centered representation.



Ms. Macri also currently serves as a member on the Committee for Gender Fairness for the Third Judicial Department and has previously served on the NYSBA Immigration Litigation Committee, the New York City Bar Association Criminal Justice Operations Committee and the Upstate New York AILA Chapter Subcommittees for Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Customs and Border Protection. She is a graduate of Albany Law School.



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David P. Miranda, a Partner with the firm, is an experienced trial attorney whose intellectual property law practice includes trademark, copyright, trade secret, false advertising, and patent infringement, as well as licensing, and internet related issues. He has litigated cases in federal district courts, state courts, the International Trade Commission, and the Trademark Trial and Appeals Board; and has successfully appeared before the Federal Circuit, Second Circuit, Ninth Circuit and New York Court of Appeals.

In June 2015 Mr. Miranda began his one year term as President of the New York State Bar Association, with 74,000 members, the largest voluntary state bar association in the nation.

In 2006 Mr. Miranda obtained a \$7.8 million jury verdict in a copyright infringement and trade secret misappropriation case in U.S. district court. Since 2007, Mr. Miranda has been selected by his peers as a "Super Lawyer" by Thompson Reuters, in the area of Intellectual Property Litigation. Mr. Miranda commenced some of the first domain name dispute proceedings before the World Intellectual Property Organization and was counsel in one of the first New York cases determining the enforceability of online agreements.

He previously served as President of the Albany County Bar Association, Secretary of the New York State Bar Association and in the House of Delegates for the ABA and NYSBA. He also served as General Counsel and on the Board of Directors of the Rensselaer County Chamber of Commerce, and is a recipient of the Capital District Business Review's "40 Under Forty" award for community service and professional achievement. In 2009, Mr. Miranda was appointed to the Independent Judicial Election Qualification Commission for the Third Judicial District of the State of New York. In 2002, Mr. Miranda was appointed by Hon. Judith Kaye, then Chief Judge of New York's Court of Appeals, to the statewide "Commission on Public Access to Court Records."

Mr. Miranda serves as an arbitrator of intellectual property law disputes with the American Arbitration Association, and National Arbitration Forum and has rendered



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Mr. Miranda received his Juris Doctor degree from Albany Law School and Bachelor's degree from the State University of New York at Buffalo. He is admitted to practice in New York, U.S. District Courts for New York's Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western Districts, Massachusetts, the Federal Circuit, Second Circuit and Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, and the U.S. Supreme Court.

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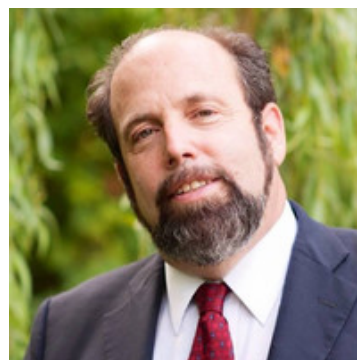
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Thomas E. Schimmerling is an attorney with a significant concentration of his legal practice in the field of personal injury law. After obtaining his Bachelor of Arts degree from Hartwick College in Oneonta, New York, he received his Juris Doctor degree from the Syracuse University College of Law in 1976.

Mr. Schimmerling is a member of the Torts and Insurance Practice and Litigation Sections of the New York Bar Association and the American Bar Association, where he is a member of the Professional Liability Committee. He is also a member and former Section Chair of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America and a member of the New York State Trial Lawyers Association.

He is listed in the "Who's Who In American Law" and lectures frequently to Bar and Trial Lawyers Associations. His advice and counsel is sought by attorneys from across the country. Mr. Schimmerling is a regular participant in the New York State Bar Association's "Hot Tips from the Experts" program, where he lectures other attorneys on personal injury topics.

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Patricia J. Shevy is the founder of The Shevy Law Firm, LLC, of Albany, New York. Tricia focuses her practice exclusively in the areas of estate planning and administration and elder law/special needs planning.

Tricia believes in the teamwork approach and regularly works with her clients and their investment advisors, bankers, insurance agents and accountants to ensure that the plan meets the client's long term objectives.

Tricia is an active member of the New York State Bar Association- Member of the Continuing Legal Education Committee, Trusts and Estates Section (Chairperson of the Continuing Legal Education Committee and former Chairperson/active member of the Life Insurance and Employee Benefits Committee) and Elder Law Section (Co-Chair of the Estates and Tax Committee and Co-Chair of the Board of Editors of the Elder and Special Needs Law Journal). She is also a member of the Albany County Bar Association and National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys.

Tricia's past public service includes serving on the Boards of Directors of Childs Nursing Home, Albany County Correctional Facility for Children's Benefit, Rensselaer County Housing Resources Corporation and the Watervliet City School District Board of Education, serving as president for 3 years. Currently, Tricia is on the Board of Directors and Treasurer of The Bus Stop Club, Inc., a support program for the siblings of chronically ill children.

Tricia earned a Bachelor of Science in Management-Finance from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 3 years. Following graduation from RPI in 1994, Tricia received her Juris Doctor, cum laude, from Albany Law School of Union University in 1997, where she was a member of the Justinian Society.

Tricia routinely lectures to small groups regarding estate tax planning, long term care planning, estate planning issues for parents of disabled children as well as the unique issues of estate planning for non- traditional families and small business owners. Tricia was honored with the opportunity to teach all attorneys applying for admission to



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Michelle has been a principal of Cioffi • Slezak • Wildgrube P.C. (formerly Carpenter & Cioffi, P.C.) since 2004, and has been with the firm since 1999. Prior to joining Cioffi • Slezak • Wildgrube P.C., Michelle worked for a general practice firm that provided a broad foundation for her practice which now concentrates in the areas of estate planning and administration, corporate and business law, and real estate.

Michelle frequently lectures for the New York State Bar Association and the Schenectady County Bar Association on real estate and estate planning issues. Michelle is also a panel member of the Legally Speaking Program for The Legal Project. Through this program, she presents seminars on estate planning and elder law issues to community groups and is a frequent lecturer for the Albany Guardian Society.

Michelle is a member of the Committee on Character and Fitness for the Fourth Judicial District and the Independent Judicial Election Qualification Commission for the Third Department. She currently serves on the boards of directors of the Federation of Bar Associations, Fourth Judicial District (Past President), Our Ability Alliance (Treasurer), and the Capital Region Chamber Foundation (Secretary/Treasurer). In addition, Michelle serves as Secretary of the New York State Bar Association's Real Property Law Section. Michelle is a member of the Schenectady County Bar Association's Real Estate Practice Committee and is an appointed trustee for the John Alexander Trust Memorial Scholarship which is administered through the Schenectady County Bar Association.

From 2016-2018, Michelle will serve as Co-Chair of the NYSBA President's Membership Challenge. If you are interested in joining the New York State Bar Association, please reach out to her!

Michelle was the recipient of the Schenectady County Bar Association's first Young Lawyer Award, the Schenectady County Bar Association's 2012 Lawyer of the Year Award, and the New York State Bar Association's 2013 President's Pro Bono Award.





Michelle holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English from Rutgers College and a Juris Doctor from the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Law. She resides in Niskayuna, New York, with her husband, Drew Lochte, and Flopsy, the family pup (who sometimes hangs out at the office).