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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 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: DeFilippis v. DeFilippis, 2017 WL 99149, 2017 N.Y. Slip Op. 00147 (2nd Dept., 2017); Barnes-Levitin v. Levitin, 131 A.D.3d 98716 N.Y.S.3d 460 (Mem) (2nd Dept., 2015); 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).

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



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Jonathan D. Cohn is a partner in the law firm of Gerstenzang, Sills, Cohn & Gerstenzang. He received his Bachelor's Degree from Lafayette College, where he graduated with honors. He is a 2008 cum laude graduate of Albany Law School, where he was selected as a member of the Government and Law Journal. Mr. Cohn was one of a select group to be published as a member of the journal. Mr. Cohn is also the state delegate for the National College for DUI Defense ("NCDD"). Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Cohn was an Assistant District Attorney in the Rensselaer County District Attorney's Office, who handled all aspects of criminal law. He also gained a thorough understanding of the Criminal Procedure Law and Penal Law as a Law Clerk to Honorable Karen A. Drago, Schenectady County Court Judge.

Mr. Cohn's practice is focused on criminal defense – with an emphasis on alcohol-related offenses.



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Ronald J. Friedman is a partner in the Bankruptcy and Creditors' Rights and Corporate Restructuring Groups, as well as the Deputy Partner-In-Charge of the Firm. Ron is widely regarded as a leading practitioner in the field of bankruptcy and creditor's rights, with vast experience in representing all forms of clients including bankruptcy trustees, liquidating trustees, creditors, creditor committees, and parties involved in out of court work-outs. Over the course of his career, Ron has worked on cases in a multitude of jurisdictions and has routinely problem solved with our clients to achieve favorable business results. It is quite common for the most difficult and tense business situations to be brought to Ron's attention. His keen ability to cut through the complex issues and achieve a consensus solution (whether in or out of court) usually provide all parties to the dispute with a platform to move forward and reach a resolution. Ron has also been appointed as the receiver and liquidating trustee in a number of cases, successfully operating and winding down businesses of all forms and size.

Ron represents clients in bankruptcy cases, workouts, restructurings, liquidations, distressed debt transactions, acquisitions, and complex litigation. He also has extensive experience counseling clients in the telecommunications, real estate, and equipment leasing industries on all facets of their corporate operations. Recently, when a long standing client of the Firm required assistance in the negotiation and sale of his business, Ron was intimately involved in the purchase price negotiation, the term sheet preparation, and the consummation of the asset purchase agreement so that the client was able to keep his focus and attention on the day to day operations of the business. That collaboration and expert guidance enhanced the client's ability to achieve the targeted purchase price while ensuring that the transaction went from dream to reality.

In addition to his legal practice, Ron serves as the President and Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Gulls Amateur Hockey Association, a not-for-profit organization that has been operating in Nassau County for over 40 years. Ron is also a member of the Board of Directors of the (i) Theodore Roosevelt Council of the Boy Scouts America; (ii) the Friends of Long Island Wrestling, an organization dedicated to promoting amateur wrestling; (iii) the Twin Rinks at Eisenhower LLC, a state-of-the-art twin ice rink facility in Nassau County; and (iv) the Muskegon Lumberjacks, a franchise member of the USHL.



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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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Bar Admissions

New York, 1989; U.S. District Court, Eastern and Southern District of New York, 1989; New Jersey, 1989; U.S. Supreme Court, 2004.

Education

State University of New York at Oswego (B.S., magna cum laude, 1986); Western New England School of Law, (J.D., 1989).

Activities

Former Executive Committee Member, New York State Bar Association's Tort, Insurance and Compensation Law Section; Appointed and serves as a New York State Civil Court Arbitrator.

Awards Received

New York State Bar Association's Tort and Insurance Law Section's Young Lawyer Award.

Publications

Vehicle Transportation Claims Affecting the Business Owner and Insurers, NYSBA, Torts, Insurance & Compensation Law Section Journal, (Spring 2002); Dissecting the Deposition: Practical Considerations for the Effective Litigator, NYSBA, Torts, Insurance & Compensation Law Section Journal (Summer, 2003); Dissecting the Deposition: More Than Just a Set of Questions, NYSBA Journal (July 2003).

Lectures

"Motor Vehicle Accidents-a Look at Liability Issues and Coverage Concerns", NYSBA (1998); "A Review of the Workers' Compensation Claim and Effective Handling", Lorman Education Services (1999); "Winning Your Case at the Deposition", NYSBA



(2000 and 2001); "A Review of New York Transportation Claims", Roadway Express (2001); "A Primer on Automobile Litigation", NYSBA (2000 and 2001); "Winning Your Case at the Deposition", NYSBA (2001); "Managing the Litigation Process", American Claims Exhibition Annual Conference (2002); "Evaluating Damages in Automobile Liability", NYSBA (2003), "An Analysis of Legal Billing", American Claims Exhibition Annual Conference (2003); "Practical Skills-Basic Tort and Insurance Law", NYSBA (2003); "Litigation Update", NYSBA (2004); "Negotiating Strategies", Progressive Insurance Company (2004); "Dissecting the Deposition – Winning the Case Early", NYSBA Annual Meeting (2004); "Successful Strategies for Automobile Litigation", NYSBA (2004); "Federal Civil Practice: A Primer", NYSBA (2005); "Practical Skills – Basic Tort Insurance Law Practice", NYSBA (2006); "Law School for Insurance Claims Professionals", NYSBA (2006); "Update on Trucking Litigation and Claims", NYSBA (2006); "The Examination Before Trial – A Primer on Depositions in Tort and Personal Injury Cases", NYSBA (2007); "Handling a No-Fault Case", NYSBA (2007); "Keeping Current with Automobile Litigation", NYSBA (2008); "Bridging the Gap", NYSBA (2009).

Concentrations

Direct insurance defense cases, including automobile, premises, construction, product liability and coverage disputes. Municipal, criminal and compensation law.

Recent Accomplishments

Robert A. Glick Recognized as a Super Lawyer.

In October 2008, Robert A. Glick was listed as a Super Lawyer selected in the State of New York. Super Lawyers is a published listing of outstanding lawyers from more than 50 practice areas who have attained a high degree of pure recognition and professional achievement.

Super Lawyers is published as a special supplement in leading newspapers, as well as city and regional magazines across the country. Super Lawyers Magazine, featuring articles about attorneys named to the Super Lawyers list, is distributed to all attorneys in the state or region, the lead corporate counsel of Russell 3000 Companies and the ABA – Approved Law School Libraries.

Polling, research and selection are performed by Law & Politics, a publication of Key Professional Media, Inc. The objective of the Super Lawyers selection process is to create a credible, comprehensive and diverse listing of outstanding attorneys that can be used as a resource to assist attorneys and consumers in the search for legal counsel.

Each year a state-wide survey of lawyers is conducted. Lawyers eligible to participate include those who have been in practice for at least five years. Lawyers are asked to nominate the best attorneys they have personally observed in action.



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Biography information here Ellyn S. Kravitz is a Partner at Abrams, Fensterman, Fensterman, Fensterman, Ferrara, Wolf & Carone, LLP. She concentrates her practice in elder law, special needs planning, estate planning, estate administration, guardianship, and veterans' benefits. Ellyn is an authority on issues affecting adults and children with disabilities, and our senior population.

Ellyn holds the designation of a Certified Elder Law Attorney (CELA), awarded by the National Elder Law Foundation as accredited by the American Bar Association. There are fewer than 400 CELAs throughout the United States. Ellyn is also accredited by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to present and prosecute claims for veterans' benefits.

Ellyn has been designated a Super Lawyer by the Thomson-Reuters Company since 2009, a distinction earned by only 5% of the attorneys in the New York Metro area. She was also included in the list of Top Women Attorneys in the New York Metro Area for 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015 in the New York Times Magazine. Further, she was selected by her peers for inclusion in the 21st, 22nd and 23rd editions of The Best Lawyers in America® in the practice area of elder law.

Ellyn is an active member of the New York State Bar Association where she is an active member of both the Elder Law and Special Needs Section and Trusts and Estate Sections. She is member of the Executive Committee of the Elder Law Section and serves as the current Co-Vice Chair of the Guardianship Committee. Previously, she served as co-chair of the Estate and Tax, Legal Education and Health Care Committees. Ellyn is also a member of the Executive Committee of the Trusts and Estates section and serves as the Chair of its Elderly and Disabled Committee. She previously served as Co-Chair of the Elder Law Committee of the Westchester County Bar Association.



Ellyn is a member of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA) and the New York State Chapter of NAELA. She is also a member of the Board of the Estate Planning Council of New York City, Inc.

Ellyn was former co-chair of the Long Island Alzheimer's Foundation ("LIAF") Legal Advisory Board. She also serves on the Legal Advisory Committee of the Evelyn Frank Legal Resources Program of Selfhelp Community Services, Inc. and on the Benefit Committee of the Kellner Family Pediatric Liver Disease Foundation.

She is a frequent presenter to both consumer and professional groups and has provided input to state and national programs addressing legal, financial and other related matters involving persons with disabilities and our senior population.

Ellyn received her Juris Doctor degree from the New England School of Law and her LL.M. in estate planning from the University of Miami. She received her undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan.

Certification

Elder Law Attorney, National Elder Law Foundation

Bar Admissions

New York, 1993

Education

University of Miami School of Law, Coral Gables, Florida, LL.M. New England School of Law, Boston, Massachusetts, J.D. University of Michigan, B.A.



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Pery D. Krinsky focuses his practice on ethics-based defense litigation. Before forming his own law firm, Mr. Krinsky was associated with the law firm of LaRossa & Ross, and then the Law Offices of Michael S. Ross.

Mr. Krinsky's ethics-based defense litigation practice focuses on:

- Federal & State Attorney/Judicial Ethics Matters, including: representing attorneys
 and law firms under investigation by disciplinary authorities and other government
 agencies; providing guidance to lawyers concerning the day-to-day practice of law;
 representing disbarred and suspended attorneys seeking reinstatement; advising
 and representing members of the New York State Judiciary in matters before the
 New York State Commission on Judicial Conduct; and assisting law school
 graduates in the admissions process.
- Federal & State Criminal Defense Matters, including: defending clients against lawenforcement actions such as claims of securities fraud, antitrust, investment advisory fraud, health care fraud, tax issues, money laundering, RICO, and narcotics trafficking, among others; helping conduct internal investigations; addressing compliance issues; and responding to regulatory inquiries.

Mr. Krinsky is the Vice Chair of the Ethics Committee of the Brooklyn Bar Association; the former Chair of the Ethics Committee of the Entertainment, Arts & Sports Law Section of the N.Y. State Bar Association; and the former Chair of the Committee on Professional Discipline of the N.Y. County Lawyers' Association. Mr. Krinsky serves on the Board of Advisors of the N.Y. County Lawyers' Association Institute of Legal Ethics, and is also a Member of: the Brooklyn Bar Association; the New York State Bar Association's Committee on Attorney Professionalism; the New York City Bar Association's Professional Responsibility Committee; and the New York County Lawyers' Committee on Professional Ethics.



Mr. Krinsky is a frequent lecturer on topics involving legal and judicial ethics, personal and professional responsibility and academic integrity, including at: the New York State Judicial Institute; the Appellate Divisions, First and Second Judicial Departments; the Court Attorneys Association of the City of New York; the New York State Bar Association; the New York City Bar; the New York County Lawyers' Association; the New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers; the New York State Trial Lawyers Association; the Practicing Law Institute; the Bay Ridge Lawyers Association; the Queens County Bar Association; Sotheby's Institute of Art; and law schools such as Brooklyn Law School, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of law Columbia Law School and Fordham Law School.



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George is a registered patent attorney and chair of the firm's intellectual property and technology practice.

He concentrates his practice in all facets of intellectual property law, including, for example, patent and trademark preparation and prosecution, litigation involving intellectual property issues, patent and trademark clearance opinions, patent novelty, validity and (non)infringement opinions, due diligence investigations in merger and acquisition, asset purchase, or other financial transactions, proceedings before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board and the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board, negotiating and drafting technology transfer and license agreements, and internet and computer law matters.

George practiced for five years as a patent agent before receiving his law degree. In addition to his practice, George is also an adjunct professor at Syracuse University College of Law where he has been teaching a course on Internet Law since 2004, and prior to that taught and lectured on courses in computer law, entertainment law, trademark and unfair competition law, intellectual property and technology transfer.



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Peter Siviglia has practiced law in New York continuously for more than 50 years representing clients both domestic and foreign, public and private. His practice concentrates on transactional and corporate matters, and he has served as correspondent and special counsel to major international law firms on contract matters and negotiating.

Peter is the author of one of West Group's best-selling works in the commercial field: Commercial Agreements - A Lawyer's Guide to Drafting and Negotiating, Thomson Reuters, supplemented annually, and now in its 28th year of publication. In 2019 Carolina Academic Press published a new work, Transactional Skills - Contract Preparation and Negotiating, and a second revised and expanded edition of Exercises in Commercial Transactions. In addition, Peter has written numerous articles on contract preparation and other legal topics, and a book of poetry and other writings, The Sidelines of Time, Archway Publishing.

Peter received a BA from Williams College in 1961, an MA from Brown University in 1962, and a JD from Harvard University in 1965.



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From 2015 to the present, Mr. Tarver has been recognized by The National Academy of Personal Injury Attorneys as a Top 10 Attorney Under 40. In 2017 and continuing thereafter, Mr. Tarver was named by the National Association of Distinguished Counsel to the Nation's Top One Percent. Moreover, Mr. Tarver was elected a Fellow of both the American Bar Foundation and the New York Bar Foundation in 2015 and 2016, respectively.

The foundation for Mr. Tarver's style and approach was laid years ago and has been carefully cultivated for decades. Growing up, his parents taught him to foster and appreciate discipline, dedication, and hard work. These abstract attributes were highlighted and bolstered over the years through formal education and sports.

Mr. Tarver, a high school valedictorian, was a captain of his high school football team, which won three-straight State Championships and a National Championship. Thereafter, he attended Tulane University in New Orleans on a Division 1, football scholarship, and while there, Mr. Tarver was a four-year letterman, served as a team captain, and was a member of their Hawaii Bowl Championship team.

While attending Tulane, Mr. Tarver was already gaining valuable exposure to, and falling in love with, the law, including personal injury. He graduated with a double major in Finance and Legal Studies and was fortunate enough to have an internship with a personal injury law firm. That internship was vital as it taught Mr. Tarver that he could help the seriously injured, many of whom where blue collar folks just like his father.

Thereafter, he left New Orleans for New York, where he attended Hofstra Law School. While there, he was a member of their National Trial Team and on Moot Court. He also obtained a Civil Litigation Concentration, taking courses such as Advanced Torts, Advanced Trial Advocacy, Trial Techniques, Pretrial Skills, and Litigation Drafting, to name a few.

During summers, he clerked for a couple of Judges in Queens County, watching and learning from trial attorneys as well as those Judges, and he also worked for a personal



injury law firm, learning more about personal injury litigation. After law school, he passed not only the New York bar exam but also the Louisiana bar exam.

Also, after law school, he went to work for one of the most prominent and prestigious personal injury law firms in the State of New York. Like a medical doctor who needs a residency after medical school, Mr. Tarver knew that he needed the equivalent after law school, although not required, to hone his skills and learn how to be the best personal injury litigator that he could be.

While at that law firm, Mr. Tarver worked on and handled traumatic and catastrophic, multi-million dollar, personal injury cases from inception through trial that included, among other types of cases, motor vehicle accidents, slip/trip and falls, medical malpractice, and products liability.

Through it all, Mr. Tarver has tried his best to be a champion for his clients using the valuable attributes of discipline, dedication, and hard work that he was taught at a young age in Louisiana while combining his New York education, training, and expertise. Today, in stark contrast to the overwhelming majority of metropolitan, New York City attorneys, Mr. Tarver stands in a unique position to offer his clients a completely different type of advocate, one that offers southern hospitality while at the same time possessing the ability to flip the switch and argue with fervor, passion, and righteous indignation.