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For nearly 30 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 “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 currently President of the 6,000 member Nassau County Bar Association, the largest suburban bar association in the country. In addition to being a columnist for the American Bar Association Law Practice Management Journal, Ms. Rice also serves as an ABA Presidential appointee to the ABA Standing Committee on Lawyer’s Professional Liability and has been Chair of the New York State Bar Association - Committee for Insurance Programs since 2008. 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 Law Practice Management Committee and the Torts, Insurance and Compensation Law Section. Her prior roles at the Nassau County Bar Association include 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 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 the Nassau-Suffolk Trial Lawyers Section; and the Suffolk County Bar Association.

Ms. Rice has authored materials for numerous publications and newsletters, including the New York Law Journal, 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, 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 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, representing the Client with Greater Concerns, Preparing, Defending and Preventing Claims Stemming From Tax Shelter Advice, 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, 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, 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.