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Stephanie is Co-Chair of the Directors' & Officers' Liability & Corporate Governance Practice Group and a former Managing Partner of the Philadelphia Office.

Consistently recognized both regionally and nationally for her skills as a business trial lawyer, Stephanie is lauded by her colleagues and peers for her strategic handling of high-stakes, complex business disputes in the federal and state courts of Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and beyond.

She has served as lead counsel in numerous high-profile litigation matters. In client references provided to *Chambers USA*, Stephanie has been called "one of the best litigators in the city – aggressive, driven and responsive," with an "easygoing but powerful presence," and she is noted for her "ability to handle things calmly while maintaining an unflinching stance."

Stephanie is a former member of the firm's Executive Committee and previously chaired the firmwide national Litigation Department, overseeing more than 300 attorneys in 21 offices, a position she held for seven years. In state and federal courts across the United States, she has earned a reputation for sound judgment and innovative problem solving. Corporate executives, *Fortune* 500 companies and family-owned businesses turn to Stephanie for solutions to their most difficult and sensitive personal and professional issues.

Stephanie has tried and arbitrated complicated and complex business litigation, including injunctions. She handles the following types of litigation:

- Directors' and officers' liability and corporate governance
- Shareholder and partnership disputes
- ERISA and fiduciary litigation
- Family business disputes
- Defense of class actions
- Books and records demands
- Shareholder derivative actions
- Intellectual property disputes
- Errors and omissions disputes
- Unfair business practices and competition and misappropriation of trade secrets
- Breach of fiduciary duty
- Federal RICO actions
- Health care/physician issues

- Employment litigation, including restrictive covenants
- Defamation and media issues
- Ethics and professional liability
- Insurance and reinsurance issues

Among the many honors she has received, Stephanie is a recipient of the coveted Sandra Day O'Connor Award, presented by the Philadelphia Bar Association. Named for the first woman justice on the U.S. Supreme Court, the award has been conferred annually since 1993 on a woman attorney who has achieved the highest degree of professional excellence in her field and has visibly used her position and stature in the community to mentor, promote and advance other women lawyers.

Stephanie is also a recipient of the AJC Judge Learned Hand Award in honor of her decades of leadership and achievements in the legal industry and her lifelong contributions to the Philadelphia community. For nearly 40 years, the American Jewish Committee has presented this annual award in recognition of a lawyer whose professional accomplishments, humanitarian efforts and civic dedication embody the qualities of Judge Learned Hand, a legendary federal judge who was considered a dean among jurists.

[Click here](#) to see a full list of other awards and accolades that Stephanie has received.

Services

- Litigation
- Directors' & Officers' Liability & Corporate Governance
- Health Law
- Employment Litigation
- Appellate Practice
- ERISA Litigation
- Insurance
- Intellectual Property
- Class Actions
- Law Firms & Attorneys
- Media & Defamation

Beyond Fox Rothschild

Stephanie volunteers for numerous nonprofit organizations. She has also been actively involved in the community in numerous leadership positions.

Bar Admissions

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey
- New York

Court Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court, Western District of New York

Education

- Villanova University School of Law (J.D., 1984)
- Kenyon College (A.B., 1981)

Memberships

- American Bar Association (Litigation Section)
- American Law Institute
- Pennsylvania Bar Association
- Philadelphia Bar Association
- New Jersey State Bar Association
- New York State Bar Association

Board of Directors

- Former Corporate Executive Board of the Philadelphia Museum of Art
- Former Chair of the Board of Directors of Women's Way
- Former Chair of the Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention of the Philadelphia Bar Association
- Former Chair of Board of Governors of the Philadelphia Bar Association

Representative Matters

Recent cases that Stephanie has handled successfully include:*

- Representation of a national dietary supplement manufacturer and its directors and officers in a nationwide class action alleging fraud and breach of warranty.
- Representation of officers and directors of closely held corporation in corporate governance, shareholder and intra-board disputes.
- Representation of physician practice with multimillion-dollar revenues in shareholder dispute.
- Representation of physicians in federal and state RICO actions.
- Representation of officers and directors of charitable foundation and nonprofit organization in issues concerning the control of the board of directors and other corporate governance decisions.
- Representation of a shareholder in a shareholder dispute in state and federal courts involving a two billion-dollar metals business.
- Representation of officers and directors of a large closely held publishing company of romance and mystery novels in a lawsuit involving control of the company and corporate governance issues.
- Representation of family member owners, who were partners in a restaurant chain, in a lawsuit against other partners in the business.
- Representation of officers and directors in Chapter 7 and Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings.
- Representation of Major League Soccer team and officers in defense of RICO and related state claims.
- Representation of a trading card manufacturer in a nationwide class action alleging fraud in sale of product claiming it constituted "illegal gambling."
- Representation of a director of a major not-for-profit overseeing billions of dollars of assets in intra-board disputes.
- Representation of officers and directors of a submarine manufacturer in a shareholder oppression lawsuit.
- Representation of officers and directors of one of the largest manufacturers of home exercise sports equipment in an adversary action in bankruptcy court.
- Representation of officers and directors of a national cosmetics manufacturer in false advertising and Lanham Act claims.
- Representation of directors and officers of a retirement community in a class action arising out of hundreds of claims related to a failed senior housing project.
- Representation of officers and directors of a nonprofit homeowners' association comprised of over 500 homes in a series of defamation and related actions.
- Representation of officers and directors of an apparel manufacturer in a preliminary injunction hearing in federal court against its competitor relating to theft of trade secrets and other claims.
- Representation of officers and directors of a major snack food manufacturer in breach of fiduciary duty claims.
- Representation of a major hotel chain and officers in TRO proceedings relating to business disputes with certain customers.
- Representation of officers and directors of numerous MRI centers in a dispute over earn-out and other contractual provisions.

- Representation of directors and officers in a federal court action involving a failed savings and loan against claims of mismanagement and fraud.
- Representation of an *Am Law* 100 law firm in professional negligence action.
- Representation of fiduciary claims in actions related to pension plans, health and life insurance.

* *Results may vary depending on your particular facts and legal circumstances.*

Honors and Awards

Accolades

- Recipient of the AJC Judge Learned Hand Award (2021)
- Recognized for Lifetime Achievement in *Corporate Counsel* and *InsideCounsel's* Women, Influence & Power in Law award series (2019)
- Recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award, *The Legal Intelligencer* (2019)
- Honored as a "Builder" by Women's Way (2017)
- Recipient of the Sandra Day O'Connor Award from the Philadelphia Bar Association (2010)
- ABA Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary, Third Circuit Representative (2009-2010)
- Appointed by the Mayor of Philadelphia to and served on the Philadelphia Advisory Task Force on Ethics and Campaign Finance Reform (2009)
- Recipient of the Women of Distinction Award from the *Philadelphia Business Journal* (2004)

Distinguished Elected Memberships

- Member of the American Law Institute
- Fellow of the American Bar Foundation

Awards

- **Selected to the 2009-2023 lists of attorneys ranked by *Chambers USA* for Litigation: General Commercial in Pennsylvania**
This award is conferred by Chambers & Partners. A description of the selection methodology is [available here](#). No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey.
- **Selected to the 2016 "Trailblazers" list for Litigation**
This award is conferred by The National Law Journal. A description of the selection methodology is [available here](#). No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey.
- **Among the members of the team selected as 2017 Pennsylvania Litigation Department of the Year for General Litigation (Large Firms)**
This award is conferred by The Legal Intelligencer. A description of the selection methodology is [available here](#). No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey.
- **Selected to the AV Preeminent lists of attorneys (2004-present); AV Preeminent Top-Rated Lawyers in Pennsylvania (2014-present); Highest Possible Rating in Both Legal Ability & Ethical Standards (2014-present); Bar Register of Preeminent Women Lawyers; and AV Preeminent attorneys in Special Judicial Edition (2017-present)**
These awards are conferred by Martindale-Hubbell. A description of the selection methodology is [available here](#). No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey.
- **Selected to the "Women, Influence & Power" list (2019)**
This award is conferred by American Lawyer Media. A description of the selection methodology is [available here](#). No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the New Jersey Supreme Court.
- **Selected to the "Best Lawyers in America" list in Philadelphia for Commercial Litigation (2013-2024) and Insurance Law (2019-2024) and to the 2016 Best Lawyers honorees list for "Women Lawyer of the Year"**

This award is conferred by Best Lawyers. A description of the selection methodology is [available here](#). No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey.

- **Selected to the Benchmark Litigation “Top 250 Women in Litigation” list (2012-present) and to the “Litigation Stars” list for Commercial Litigation and Product Liability and Recall in Pennsylvania (2013-present)**
This award is conferred by Euromoney Institutional Investor PLC. A description of the selection methodology is [available here](#). No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey.
- **Selected to the “Top 50 Women Super Lawyers in Pennsylvania,” list (2004-2023); the Super Lawyers in Pennsylvania list (2004-2023); the “Top 100 Lawyers in Philadelphia” list (2009, 2011, 2014-2019, 2023); and the “Top 100: Pennsylvania Super Lawyers” list (2009, 2011, 2014-2016, 2018, 2019, 2023)**
This award is conferred by Thomson Reuters. A description of the selection methodology is [available here](#). No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey.
- **Selected to the 2018 “Influencers of Law” list**
This award is conferred by The Philadelphia Inquirer. A description of the selection methodology is [available here](#). No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey.
- **Selected to the 2014 “Women of the Year” list**
This award is conferred by The Legal Intelligencer. A description of the selection methodology is [available here](#). No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey.