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Education & Specialized Training

- The George Washington University (B.A. 1977)
- Benjamin Cardozo School of Law (J.D. 1980)
- Oxford University, Oxford England, Institute on International and Comparative Law (1979)
- Marquette University, Neuroanatomical Dissection of the Human Brain and Spinal Cord (2007)

Professional Certifications

- Fellow, National College of Advocacy, American Association for Justice
- Advocate, Academy of Truck Accident Attorneys
- Certified Mediator, Phoenix Dispute Solutions, International Mediation Institute
- Preferred Attorney, Brain Injury Association of America

State & Federal Bar Admissions

- New York State Bar
- District of Columbia Bar
- United States Circuit Court of Appeals, 2nd Circuit
- United States Circuit Court of Appeals, 3rd Circuit
- United States Circuit Court of Appeals, DC Circuit
- United States District Courts, Southern, Eastern & Northern Districts of New York
- United States District Court, District of Columbia
- Supreme Court of the United States
- United States Tax Court

- United States Court of International Trade

Government & Public Service

- Past Chairwoman, Brain Injury Association of America
- Fellow, American Bar Foundation
- Secretary & Trustee, Civil Justice Foundation
- Advisory Board, Acquired Brain Injury Program, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C.
- Judicial Screening Committee, NYS Academy of Trial Lawyers
- Pattern Jury Instruction Committee, NYS Academy of Trial Lawyers
- Amicus Counsel, Brain Injury Association of America
- Member of Amicus Committee and Amicus Counsel, New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers
- Member, Medical Malpractice Panel, NYS Appellate Division, First & Second Departments
- Member, North American Brain Injury Society
- Member, Brain Injury Association of New York State
- Member, Public Justice
- Member, Pediatric Acquired Brain Injury Plan (PABI), NYS Planning Committee
- PINK Concussions, Professional Advisory Board
- Executive Committee, Chappaqua School District PTA Special Education Committee, Pre-K-12
- Past Vice Chairwoman & Past Secretary, Brain Injury Association of America

Professional Leadership & Associations

- President, Top 25 Brain Injury Trial Lawyers, National Trial Lawyers Association
- Past Chair, Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation Group, American Association for Justice
- Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America, Trial Lawyer Honorary Society
- Past Secretary & Treasurer, Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation Group, American Association for Justice
- Board of Directors, New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers
- Advocate, Academy of Truck Accident Attorneys
- Lawyers Diversity Law Institute Advisory Board, Litigation Counsel of America
- Fellow, American Bar Foundation

- Editor, NYS Academy of Trial Lawyers, Monthly Law Update
- Advisory Board, Interstate Bus Litigation Group, American Association for Justice
- Reviewer, Workplace Injury Reporter, American Association for Justice
- Reviewer & Special Articles Editor, Trial Magazine, American Association for Justice
- Member, American Association for Justice
- Fellow, Melvin M. Belli Society
- Member, Million Dollar Advocates Forum & Multi-Million Dollar Advocates Forum
- Member, Stroke Litigation Group, Birth Trauma Litigation Group, Nursing Home Litigation Group, and Professional Liability Section, AAJ
- Member, Interstate Trucking Litigation Group, AAJ
- Member, Professional Information Exchange Negligence Litigation Group, AAJ
- Member, New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers
- Member, New York State Trial Lawyers Association

Honors & Awards

- New York Super Lawyers (2014–2023)
- President's Award, New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers
- Who's Who American Law
- Who's Who American Women
- Who's Who in the World
- Top 25 Brain Injury Lawyers, American Trial Lawyers Association
- Top 100 New York Trial Lawyers, American Trial Lawyers Association
- Top Women Attorneys in Metro New York
- Public Justice Achievement Award, for Pro Bono Representation of 9/11 Victims
- Elite Lawyers of America
- Member, Million Dollar Advocates Forum & Multi-Million Dollar Advocates Forum
- Best Lawyers in America (2019–2023)
- Best Law Firms of America (2019–2020, U.S. News & World Report)

Publications & Thought Leadership

- New York Law Journal, 'Damages in Wrongful Death Actions' (2023)

- Amicus Brief on behalf of Brain Injury Association of America to United States Supreme Court and United States Third Circuit Court of Appeals Challenging NFL Concussion Litigation Settlement
- Technology and Global Health, 'Telehealth and Traumatic Brain Injury,' Springer (2020)
- Trial Reporter, 'Proving a Brain Injury Caused by Whiplash,' Journal of the Maryland Association for Justice (2016)
- Trial Magazine, 'Patient Rights and Ethical Dilemmas-Review,' March 2016, Vol. 52, No. 3
- National Law Journal, 'Concussion Settlement is Deeply Flawed,' July 21, 2014
- Huffington Post series on NFL Concussions (2013–2014)
- New York Law Journal, 'Traumatic Brain Injury: Detecting, Defining, Litigating,' July 28, 2011
- Psychiatric Clinics of North America, 'Current Issues in Neurolaw: Traumatic Brain Injury: Defining Best Practice,' December 2010

Professional Presentations

- 2023: Strokes and Medical Malpractice, Brain Injury Association of California Annual Conference, San Diego, CA
- 2023: Late Effects Following a Traumatic Brain Injury, New York State Academy of Trial Lawyers
- 2023: Representing a High Functioning Individual with a Traumatic Brain Injury, AAJ Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA
- 2022: Strokes and Medical Malpractice, North American Brain Injury Society Annual Conference
- 2021: The Brain Injury Association of America: An Overview, North American Brain Injury Society Legal Conference
- 2020: Fundamentals of Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation, NYS Academy of Trial Lawyers Webinar
- 2017: Concussion Litigation Update, Melvin M. Belli Society 70th Annual Seminar, Boston, MA
- 2016: The Law and Facts on NFL Brain Injuries and Future Needs, AAJ Annual Program, Los Angeles, CA
- 2016: The Law and Science of Brain Injury, AAJ Conference, Charleston, SC
- 2016: Symposium Panel Member, GWU Law, 'The World of Federal Subrogation and Reimbursement'

- 2015: Sports Concussions and Legal Liability, Melvin M. Belli Society Annual Seminar, Montreal, QC
- 2015: Moderator, Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation Group, AAJ Annual Program, Montreal, QC
- 2013: Medical Malpractice Update, NYS Academy of Trial Lawyers Annual Law Update, White Plains, NY
- 2013: Moderator, Traumatic Brain Injury Litigation Group, AAJ Annual Program, San Francisco, CA
- 2012: Medical Malpractice Update, NYS Academy of Trial Lawyers Annual Law Update, White Plains, NY
- 2011: Medical Malpractice Update, NYS Academy of Trial Lawyers Annual Law Update, White Plains, NY
- 2011: Medical Malpractice in the Emergency Department, Grand Rounds, Mt. Sinai Medical Center, New York, NY

Additional Distinctions

- Member, Catastrophic Injury Panel, Trial Lawyers Care, September 11th Victims Compensation Fund