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Stephanie is recognized nationally and regionally for her skills as a business trial lawyer. She is Co-Chair of the firm's Directors' & Officers' Liability & Corporate Governance Practice Group.

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

A leader within the firm, Stephanie is a former Managing Partner of the Philadelphia Office and was a longtime member of the firm's Executive Committee. She previously chaired the firmwide national Litigation Department, a position she held for seven years. In state and federal courts throughout 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
- Breach of fiduciary duty
- Shareholder and partnership disputes
- Family business disputes
- Defense of class actions
- Books and records demands
- Shareholder derivative actions
- Intellectual property disputes
- ERISA litigation
- Estate and trust related intra-family disputes
- Unfair business practices and competition and misappropriation of trade secrets
- Insurance and reinsurance issues
- Federal RICO actions
- Health care/physician issues
- Employment litigation, including restrictive covenants
- Defamation and media issues
- Ethics and professional liability

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, AJC has presented this annual award to a lawyer who embodies the professional accomplishments, humanitarian efforts and civic dedication 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
- Antitrust
- Appellate Practice
- Class Actions
- Health Law
- Employment Litigation
- ERISA Litigation
- Intellectual Property
- IP Litigation
- Law Firm Defense & Risk Management
- Media & Defamation
- Financial Services Litigation

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

Stephanie has substantial experience in matters involving control, valuation, fiduciary duties and internal conflicts at closely held, family-owned and investor-backed businesses. She has represented individuals and companies in high-stakes, high-profile and "bet-the-company" litigation spanning a wide range of practice areas, including corporate governance and shareholder disputes; business litigation and class actions; insolvency, bankruptcy and distressed situations; regulated industries and professional services; and nonprofits, associations and mission-driven organizations.

Stephanie's representations include:

- Owners and managers of a fourth-generation real estate business in an intra-family dispute over valuation of a multimillion-dollar Manhattan office building, prevailing on all counts after a bench trial.
- Directors, officers and private equity investors in shareholder claims alleging misrepresentation, fraud and breaches of fiduciary duties, resulting in pre-discovery dismissal of all claims.
- Officers and directors of closely held corporations in corporate governance, shareholder, and intra-board disputes.
- Shareholders in a dispute litigated in state and federal courts involving a two-billion-dollar metals business.
- Officers and directors of a large privately held publishing company in intra-family litigation over corporate control and governance issues.
- Family-member owners and partners in litigation against other business partners.
- Estate and trust related intra-family disputes.
- Officers and directors in shareholder oppression lawsuits.
- A hospital system in an antitrust class action asserting wage-fixing claims affecting tens of thousands of medical providers and employees.
- Co-executor in an intra-family dispute involving estate worth hundreds of millions of dollars.
- A national dietary supplement manufacturer and its directors and officers in a nationwide class action alleging fraud and breach of warranty.
- A trading card manufacturer in a nationwide class action alleging fraud based on claims of illegal gambling.
- Directors and officers of a retirement community in a class action arising from hundreds of claims tied to a failed senior housing project.
- A major hotel chain and its officers in TRO proceedings arising from business disputes with customers.
- Physician practices with multimillion-dollar revenues in shareholder disputes, federal and state RICO actions and breach of fiduciary duty claims.
- Officers and directors of numerous MRI centers in disputes involving earn-out and other contractual provisions.
- Officers and directors of a national cosmetics manufacturer in false advertising and Lanham Act litigation.
- Fiduciary claims involving ERISA pension plans and health and life insurance matters.
- Directors and officers in all types of breach of fiduciary duty and claims of mismanagement of companies by the Board of Directors in Chapter 7 and Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings.
- Officers and directors of a charitable foundation and nonprofit organization in matters involving board control and corporate governance decisions.
- A director of a major not-for-profit overseeing billions of dollars in assets in intra-board disputes.

- Officers and directors of a nonprofit homeowners' association of more than 500 homes in multiple defamation and related actions.
- Am Law 100 law firms in professional negligence actions.

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

Honors and Awards

Accolades

- Recipient of the AJC Judge Learned Hand Award
- Recognized for Lifetime Achievement in *Corporate Counsel* and *InsideCounsel's* Women, Influence & Power in Law award series
- Recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award, *The Legal Intelligencer*
- Honored as a "Builder" by Women's Way
- Recipient of the Sandra Day O'Connor Award from the Philadelphia Bar Association
- Recipient of the Women of Distinction Award from the *Philadelphia Business Journal*
- 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)

Distinguished Elected Memberships

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

Awards

- **Selected to the 2009-2025 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 (2013-2026) and Insurance Law (2019-2026) 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

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- **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 "Super Lawyers" list for Business Litigation in Pennsylvania (2025)**
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 “Top 50 Women Super Lawyers in Pennsylvania,” list (2004-2025); the Super Lawyers in Pennsylvania list (2004-2025); the “Top 100 Lawyers in Philadelphia” list (2009, 2011, 2014-2019, 2023, 2025); and the "Top 100: Pennsylvania Super Lawyers" list (2009, 2011, 2014-2016, 2018, 2019, 2023, 2025)**
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.