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ROSENBERG & ESTIS, P.C.

Areas of Practice

Litigation (Commercial)
Litigation (Real Estate)
Landlord Tenant Law
Loft Law

Honors and Awards

- Commercial Observer's Barrier-Breaker Award, 2018
- New York Real Estate Journal: 2018 Women In Real Estate
- Bisnow Power Women, 2016 and 2018
- Crain's 2018 Legal List: Leading Women Lawyers in NYC
- New York Law Journal: Distinguished Leader Honoree, 2017
- New York Super Lawyers Top Women Attorneys in the New York Metro Area, 2012-Present
- Preeminent AV Rated by Martindale Hubbell
- Honored by Real Estate Forum as a "Woman of Influence" 2011-2014
- New York Super Lawyers, 2006 - Present
- Honored by Real Estate Weekly as an Industry Leader, 2010
- Honored by Real Estate New York as a "Woman of Influence", 2008
- Joseph Solomon Scholar, University of Bologna School of Law, Italy

Luise A. Barrack is the Managing Member of Rosenberg & Estis, P.C., and head of the firm's Litigation Department, which under her leadership was recently honored by the New York Law Journal as the Litigation Department of the Year: Real Estate (2018). Clients come to Ms. Barrack for her killer instincts tempered by her sage counsel. She is a staunch advocate for her clients, many of whom she has represented for more than 30 years. Her no-nonsense approach has helped shape Rosenberg & Estis, P.C. into the tough and highly respected law firm it is today.

Ms. Barrack is an experienced practitioner in all of New York's courts and she has substantial expertise in all facets of real estate litigation. Her real estate practice concentrates on representing developers, lenders, commercial owners, hoteliers, not for profit corporations and educational institutions. Ms. Barrack is one of New York's leading Loft Law experts, handling legalization, valuation of loft fixtures, and the costs of code compliance.

Ms. Barrack also represents owners and developers in construction litigation, developments, demolitions and assemblages, and disputes including succession rights, non-primary residence, and owner occupancy. In addition, she is seasoned in cooperative, condominium, and shareholder disputes and versed in rent regulatory and administrative law, including obtaining certificates of no harassment (CONH).

Ms. Barrack has handled such wide ranging matters as defeating a claim that a developer was required to conduct an environmental study prior to filing an administrative proceeding for permission not to renew rent stabilized tenants' leases in order to demolish a Central Park South building; reaching a multimillion dollar deal and property exchange with Columbia University; representing New York Law School in recovering a site essential to building its new urban campus; and defeating a party claiming an option to purchase an interest in a High Line building containing a chic and extremely high profile nightclub.

Representative Cases

- Matter of 220 CPS "Save Our Homes" Assn. v. New York State Div. of Hous. & Community Renewal, 60 A.D.3d 593, 877 N.Y.S.2d 21 (2009)

Classes/Seminars

- Moderator - Real Estate Women's Forum: "Turning Challenges into Opportunities in Development and Construction," 2018
- Moderator - Bisnow's "Future of Midtown South," 2016
- NYSBA 2014 Advanced Real Estate Transactions - "Careful What You Say: Ethics in Real Estate", 2014
- New York City Bar - "Hot Topics Affecting Cooperatives & Condominiums- Cases & Marketplace Developments in the Last Six Months," 2014
- Annual Real Estate Weekly Women's Forum - Women Who Rule: CEO and Founder's Round Table, 2013
- Rosenberg & Estis, P.C. 2013 In-house Lecture Series: Attorney Client Relations 101 (Ethics), 2013

Education

New York Law School

- J.D. - 1980
- Honors: Member, Moot Court Association, 1978-1979
- Law Review: New York Law School Review, Member, 1978-1979
- Law Review: New York Law School Law Review, Research Editor, 1979 - 1980

State University of New York at Stony Brook

- B.A. (*cum laude*) – 1977

Bar Admissions

- New York, 1981
- U.S. District Court Eastern District of New York, 1981
- U.S. District Court Southern District of New York, 1981



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- Current Real Estate Leasing Issues (Including Ethics and Civility), New York State Bar Association, Real Property Law Section – Annual Meeting, 2012
- Commercial Summary Proceedings - Landlord Representation for the Civil Court in the County of Kings, 2012
- SL Green - Residential Rent Law Seminar, 2012
- IMN-2nd Annual Real Estate General Counsel's Forum (What is on your Checklist? Property Acquisitions & Due Diligence), 2012
- NYSBA 2012 Advanced Real Estate Transactions – “Careful What You Say: Ethics in Real Estate,” 2012

Professional Associations and Memberships

- Member of the Irvington Village Zoning Board, 2014-2018
- New York City Bar Association, Member, Committee on Cooperative and Condominium Law, 2013-2016
- New York City Bar Association, Member, Committee on the Judiciary, Class of 2010-2013

Pro Bono Activities

- YMCA Development Committee, Leadership Council
- Co-Chair of the YMCA's 2016 Annual Campaign