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SPRINGFIELD, Mass. – Local law firm [Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin, P.C.](#), serving Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York, today announced Michele J. Feinstein, L. Alexandra Hogan (Alex), Carol Cioe Klyman and Ann I. Weber (Ami) have been recognized as Top Women Attorneys in Massachusetts by Super Lawyers.

Super Lawyers is a rating service of outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement. The selection process includes independent research, peer nominations and peer evaluations. This announcement will be circulated in a special insertion in the April 2016 edition of *Boston Magazine*.

Attorney Michele J. Feinstein, a shareholder at Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin, P.C., and lifelong resident of Longmeadow, concentrates her practice in the areas of estate planning and administration, elder law, probate litigation, health law, corporate and business planning, including all aspects of planning for the succession of business interests, representation of closely held businesses and their owners, and representation of physicians in their individual and group practices. She is a cum laude graduate of the Western New England University School of Law where she was a member of the Law Review and Boston University, where she first earned her bachelor of science summa cum laude and later a master of laws in taxation.

Attorney L. Alexandra Hogan (Alex), a resident of Longmeadow, concentrates her practice primarily in business, litigation and bankruptcy law. She graduated from Western New England University School of Law in 2008 with cum laude honors and from Bay Path University with summa cum laude honors in 1996. She was also recognized by Junior Achievement as a 2012 recipient of the Gold Peak Performance Award and included in the *BusinessWest* 40 Under Forty Award program, class of 2013. Most recently, Attorney Hogan was awarded an Excellence in the Law award for Up & Coming Attorneys by *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*. Attorney Hogan was honored to be featured along with her senior colleagues, “I am thrilled that so many women attorneys are being recognized in *Boston Magazine*, to be mentioned among so many talented leaders in the law is truly humbling.”

Shareholder Carol Cioe Klyman, a resident of Westhampton, concentrates her practice in the areas of elder law, estate planning, special needs trust planning, estate settlement, guardianships, trust and estates litigation, and MassHealth appeals. She is versed in all aspects of estate administration, including representation in the probate courts, preparation of estate tax and gift tax returns, and Internal Revenue Service estate and gift tax audits. Her work with individuals with disabilities includes collaborating with professional advisors such as accountants and other attorneys to craft estate plans targeted to the client’s specific needs as well as with personal injury attorneys to structure plans for settlement proceeds and jury awards. Attorney Klyman graduated magna cum laude from Western New England University School of Law and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in journalism from the University of Rhode Island. She was also elected as a fellow of the American College of Trust and Estates Council.

Attorney Ann I. Weber (Ami), a resident of Granville, is a shareholder at Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin, P.C. She was formerly employed by the Internal Revenue Service and clerked at the Probate Court in West Hartford, Conn. She is a resident of Granville and concentrates her practice in the areas of estate planning, estate administration, probate and elder law. She has a particular interest in creative estate planning for authors and artists, farmers and landowners as well as federal and Massachusetts estate tax planning. She has written extensively on estate planning, elder law, and estate administration and lectures frequently to professional and non-professional groups. She is also well-recognized for her professional achievements, having been elected as a fellow of the American College of Estate and Trust Council.